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BC's Construction Industry Since 1990

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During the early 1990s, BC had the fastest-growing population in Canada. Record numbers of people were moving here from other provinces and countries, providing a stimulus for economic growth and boosting the population by nearly 15% between 1990 and 1995. However, the influx of people into BC slowed at the end of the decade. BC slipped back to third place (after Alberta and Ontario) among the provinces in terms of population growth in the late 1990s. More recently, the pace has begun to pick up and BC is once again attracting residents from other parts of the country, as well as new immigrants to Canada.

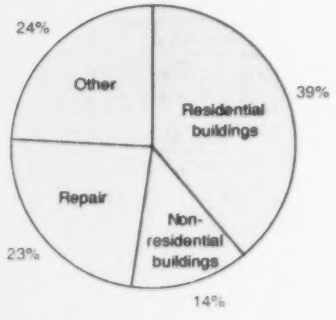
Since 1990, the number of people living in BC has increased by nearly a third (29%), making BC the fastest-growing province over the period. The Canadian population grew a little more than half as much (17%).

An expanding population is one factor that has contributed to strong growth in the construction industry in recent years, but other forces, such as general economic conditions and special events, also play a role. For example, the Olympics will be held in the Vancouver/Whistler area in 2010. As part of the preparations for this event, major upgrades of the Sea-to-Sky highway will be made, and there will be substantial investment in new venues for Olympic events. Transportation infrastructure (such as the RAV line) in Vancouver is being put into place, and work on other Olympic-related projects is already underway, and the industry is seeing an increase in the demand for its services.

What's included in this industry?

The construction industry includes establishments that are primarily engaged in constructing, repairing and renovating buildings and engineering works, and in subdividing and developing land. They sometimes work under contract to other firms, and produce both complete projects and parts of projects.

The construction industry includes a lot more than just houses and other buildings



GDP in 2004 $7.5 billion

Data Source: Statistics Canada
Figure 1

More than half of the GDP[1] in the construction industry comes from putting up buildings, such as houses, condos, office towers and shopping centres. Residential buildings account for about 39% of total GDP in the industry, while non-residential buildings make up 14%.

There are a lot of other activities in the construction industry. About a quarter of its GDP is generated by engineering construction. This includes building roads, highways and airstrips; gas and oil facilities; dams and irrigation projects; railways, telegraph and telephone lines; and other types of engineering projects. Repair construction (on buildings as well as roads, highways and other projects) makes up about a quarter of the value added to the economy by this industry.

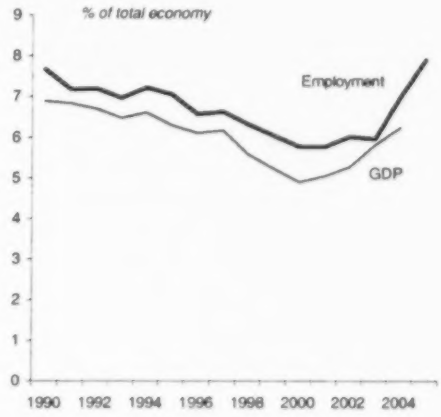
What's happened since 1990?

When the economy is booming, the construction industry usually booms too, but when times are tough, new construction projects tend to be put off. Builders often borrow money to finance big projects (and homeowners usually have to take out a mortgage to pay for their home), so changes in consumer confidence and the cost of borrowing also have a big effect on this sector, as do increases in the price of materials such as lumber that are used in construction.

Figure 2 shows how output and employment in the construction sector have varied relative to the rest of the economy since 1990. As the figure shows, the industry didn't do as well as the rest of the economy during the 1990s, and its share of both GDP and employment declined.

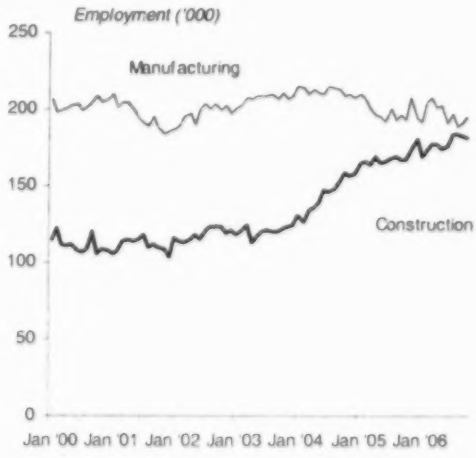
The last few years have been very good ones for the construction industry. Just under 8% of the province's workers have jobs in construction. That's significantly higher than the average during the 1990s, but at about the same level as in the early 1980s, when there was also a building boom in BC.

BC's construction industry has been booming in recent years, as it continues to recover from a slump in the 1990s



Data Source: Statistics Canada
Figure 2

Employment in the industry has increased significantly and now rivals that in manufacturing



Data Source: Statistics Canada
Figure 3

There is no doubt that the construction industry has been a big source of employment and GDP growth in the BC economy during

[1] GDP data is used here, since employment figures are not available at the same level of detail

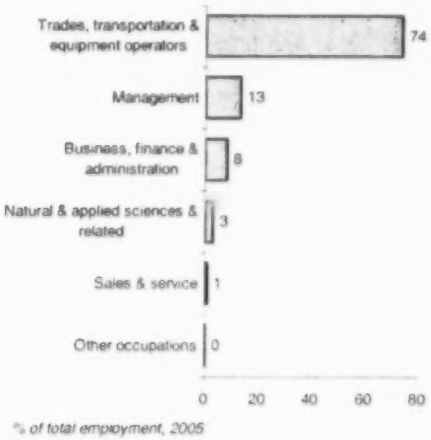
the last few years. However, the very strong growth that has been seen in recent years has to be viewed in the context of what happened during the 1990s, a period when the industry was in decline.

Construction is a boom and bust industry. The current strength of the industry is a reflection of general economic conditions, pent-up demand for new housing and other structures in some areas of the province, and investment in new infrastructure that is taking place in order to prepare for the 2010 Olympics. Whether the strong growth will continue in the future, at least past 2010, is an open question, but it is likely that the next few years will be good ones in this industry.

What are the most common occupations?

Like most industries, construction employs people in a wide range of occupations involving different types of skills. Three out of every four people who work in this industry are tradespeople, contractors, and others who have special skills related to construction. They may also be labourers, or equipment operators.

Three-quarters of the workers in this industry are tradespeople or operators of transportation equipment



Data Source: Canadian Occupational Projection System estimate

Figure 4

Twenty-eight percent of workers in this industry are in construction trades: they are plumbers, carpenters, bricklayers, cabinetmakers, painters and so on. Another 13% are contractors and supervisors of these tradespeople and 7% are electricians or other workers in similar occupations.

Other common occupations in the construction industry include management (13%), business, finance and administration (8%), and workers in natural and applied sciences and related activities (3%) (architects, engineers, construction estimators, building inspectors and so on).

How many people work in construction, and how much do they earn?

In 2005, there were 168,000 people working in the province's construction industry. These workers earned an average hourly wage of $19.57 for a usual work week of 40 hours. The average wage for workers in construction trades (including those employed in industries other than construction) was $18.96 in 2005. Trades helpers and construction labourers earned an average wage of $16.50.

What are the characteristics of the work force?

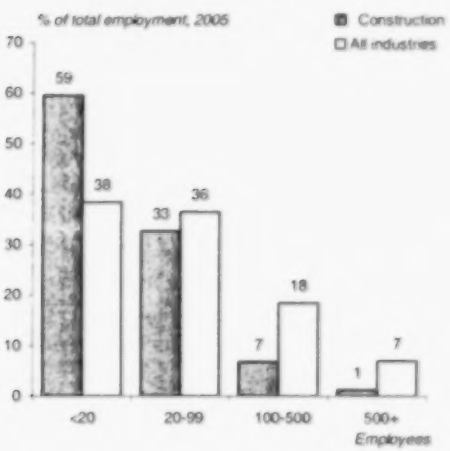
The construction industry continues to be male-dominated, with men outnumbering women nine to one. Similarly, nine out of ten workers are employed full-time.

Just under a quarter (24%) of the workers in this industry have union coverage, considerably less than the provincial average of 33%.

Construction workers have a higher-than-average chance of finding themselves unemployed at some point. Between 1990 and 2005, the unemployment rate in this industry averaged 11.3%, three percentage points higher than the provincial average (8.4%) during this period.

Self-employment is much more common in construction than in most other industries. Four out of every ten workers are self-employed, double the average for all industries in the province. The construction industry is well-suited to self-employment, since many of the required skills can be used on small self-directed projects as well as large ones. This means that it is relatively easy for an individual who has the know-how and the equipment required to do construction projects to start up his or her own company, if the prospect of working for a larger organization is not appealing.

Construction establishments are often small businesses with fewer than 20 workers



Excludes self-employed
Data Source: Statistics Canada
Figure 5

Construction firms tend to be somewhat smaller than firms in other industries. This is partly a reflection of the relatively high incidence of self-employment in this industry. Fifty-nine percent of the people working in the industry are employed at establishments with fewer than 20 workers. Most of the other workers (33% of the total) in the construction industry had jobs in mid-sized firms, with more than 20 but less than 100 employees.

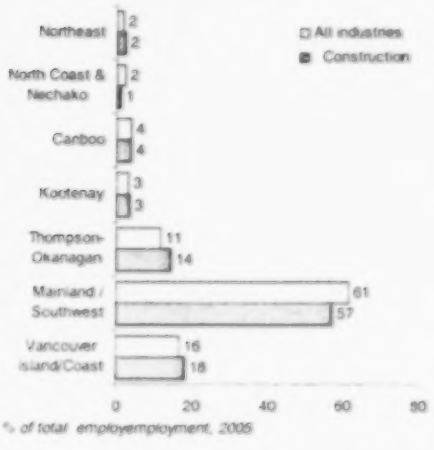
It should be noted that these figures do not include self-employed workers. Self-employment is a significant factor in the construction industry. About 64% of self-employed construction workers have no paid help. It is likely that most of the other self-employed workers in this industry operate small businesses with fewer than 20 workers.

Where are the jobs located?

Construction activity occurs in all parts of the province. Residential, commercial and institutional buildings are most likely to be built in the more densely populated areas of the province, but many heavy or engineering construction projects occur in more sparsely populated areas. Factories, gas distribution facilities, power generating stations, and dams, for example, are built near a source of water, or near gas fields, or wherever the raw materials used in production are located.

Fifty-seven percent of workers in this industry are located in the Mainland/Southwest Region, with the Vancouver Island/Coast area having just under a fifth of the work force.

Three out of four construction jobs are in the Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island/Coast regions



Data Source: Statistics Canada
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Abbreviations

3MMA SA: three month moving average, seasonally adjusted

Ave: average

bd ft: board feet

C6: a group of six currencies including European Monetary Union Euro, British pound, French franc, German mark, Swiss franc, and Japanese yen

Can: Canada, Canadian

GW.h.: gigawatt hour = watt hour x 10^9

m3: cubic metres

mil: million

MLS: Multiple Listing Service

Moly: molybdenum

mth: month (as in: previous mth)

NAICS: North American Industrial Classification System

SA: seasonally adjusted

T.S.E.: Toronto Stock Exhange

US: United States of America

WSPF: Western spruce-pine-fir

1 Labour and Earnings

Source: Statistics Canada

	Labour Force Activity					Earnings		Employment Insurance: Regular E.I. Benefits	
	Labour Force	Employed	Unemployment Rate	Participation Rate	Average Actual Hours Worked	Wages and Salaries	Average Weekly Wage Rate	Number of Beneficiaries	$
Period	Thousands of persons		%		Number	$ million	$	(Persons)	thousand
	Seasonally Adjusted (SA)				Unadjusted	SA	Unadjusted		
2002	2,147.6	1,965.0	8.5	65.1	32.0	63,192.7	668.04	817,850	1,073,203.5
2003	2,190.7	2,014.7	8.0	65.6	31.8	65,310.1	683.68	813,520	1,059,531.1
2004	2,221.9	2,062.7	7.2	65.5	32.3	69,365.6	686.74	737,780	960,359.7
2005	2,263.4	2,130.5	5.9	65.6	32.6	73,916.0	704.49	638,940	837,431.4
Jan-04	2,219.0	2,053.7	7.4	65.9	32.4	5,630.0	678.55	81,270	102,257.2
Feb-04	2,199.2	2,029.0	7.7	65.3	33.4	5,662.1	685.71	76,980	109,369.0
Mar-04	2,207.0	2,037.4	7.7	65.4	31.5	5,704.3	678.13	72,950	94,275.5
Apr-04	2,203.7	2,037.0	7.6	65.2	31.2	5,731.9	676.20	65,970	79,729.2
May-04	2,221.4	2,054.5	7.5	65.7	33.4	5,742.8	674.07	59,490	87,371.7
Jun-04	2,242.4	2,079.6	7.3	66.2	33.9	5,772.7	678.21	52,460	65,468.6
Jul-04	2,227.4	2,074.5	6.9	65.7	32.1	5,799.1	680.79	52,750	61,242.0
Aug-04	2,225.4	2,063.5	7.3	65.5	31.0	5,814.7	687.63	58,430	85,782.8
Sep-04	2,223.7	2,074.7	6.7	65.4	34.1	5,843.6	698.50	46,790	61,903.3
Oct-04	2,234.2	2,079.7	6.9	65.6	30.2	5,868.4	704.49	49,490	62,134.7
Nov-04	2,223.0	2,077.2	6.6	65.2	30.6	5,853.6	700.80	57,360	73,706.0
Dec-04	2,233.8	2,092.9	6.3	65.4	33.7	5,942.3	696.92	63,840	77,119.8
Jan-05	2,248.9	2,102.4	6.5	65.8	32.8	5,934.8	708.11	73,320	105,871.9
Feb-05	2,261.6	2,103.1	7.0	66.1	33.8	6,007.7	704.75	68,190	84,184.6
Mar-05	2,250.9	2,104.5	6.5	65.6	33.8	6,034.5	697.93	62,300	78,729.6
Apr-05	2,254.1	2,116.9	6.1	65.7	34.0	6,092.0	700.18	57,820	71,114.1
May-05	2,263.8	2,130.7	5.9	65.8	33.8	6,106.1	699.26	51,210	77,672.4
Jun-05	2,255.4	2,123.8	5.8	65.5	33.8	6,168.7	701.03	45,380	56,027.3
Jul-05	2,266.7	2,128.8	6.1	65.7	31.8	6,204.1	698.58	43,680	51,783.5
Aug-05	2,266.6	2,137.0	5.7	65.6	30.9	6,201.2	703.02	51,790	76,240.4
Sep-05	2,259.5	2,132.4	5.6	65.3	33.5	6,248.0	709.61	39,340	53,409.9
Oct-05	2,264.4	2,148.7	5.1	65.3	29.4	6,225.3	706.73	43,560	59,084.4
Nov-05	2,280.3	2,169.0	4.9	65.7	30.4	6,321.1	717.99	48,940	58,804.7
Dec-05	2,282.9	2,167.1	5.1	65.6	33.7	6,372.5	706.56	53,410	64,508.8
Jan-06	2,284.5	2,166.9	5.1	65.6	33.8	6,433.2	720.31	60,760	91,065.1
Feb-06	2,285.1	2,175.9	4.8	65.5	33.2	6,477.6	716.86	56,810	71,505.3
Mar-06	2,290.8	2,189.0	4.4	65.6	31.4	6,485.9	718.33	53,040	65,988.3
Apr-06	2,295.7	2,192.8	4.5	65.6	29.9	6,506.2	720.63	46,590	66,972.8
May-06	2,302.0	2,193.6	4.7	65.7	33.8	6,717.1	721.82	41,660	57,395.5
Jun-06	2,289.1	2,191.8	4.3	65.2	33.9	6,747.8	722.67	37,480	48,621.0
Jul-06	2,303.9	2,195.6	4.7	65.6	31.8	6,649.5	721.25	35,890	54,784.3
Aug-06	2,304.1	2,193.4	4.8	65.5	31.1	6,721.3	728.13	43,570	58,837.1
Sep-06	2,311.8	2,200.7	4.8	65.6	34.0	6,701.9	730.10	32,360	47,500.7
Oct-06	2,321.7	2,214.0	4.6	65.8	30.7	-	732.68	-	-
Nov-06	2,322.7	2,208.5	4.9	65.7	33.5	-	739.68	-	-
Dec-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(t-tot, a-avg) YTD	a 2,301.0	a 2,192.9	a 4.7	a 65.6	a 32.5	t 59,440.5	a 724.77	a 45,351	t 562.7
% change	1.8	3.1	n/a	n/a	-0.3	8.1	2.9	-17.2	-14.1
Last 12 months	2,299.5	2,190.8	4.7	65.6	32.6	78,359.4	723.25	46,173	745,067.9
Previous 12	2,258.8	2,124.2	6.0	65.6	32.6	72,661.5	703.68	55,310	867,994.2
% change	1.8	3.1	n/a	n/a	-0.2	7.8	2.8	-16.5	-14.2
% ch year ago	1.9	1.8	n/a	n/a	10.2	7.3	3.0	-17.7	-11.1
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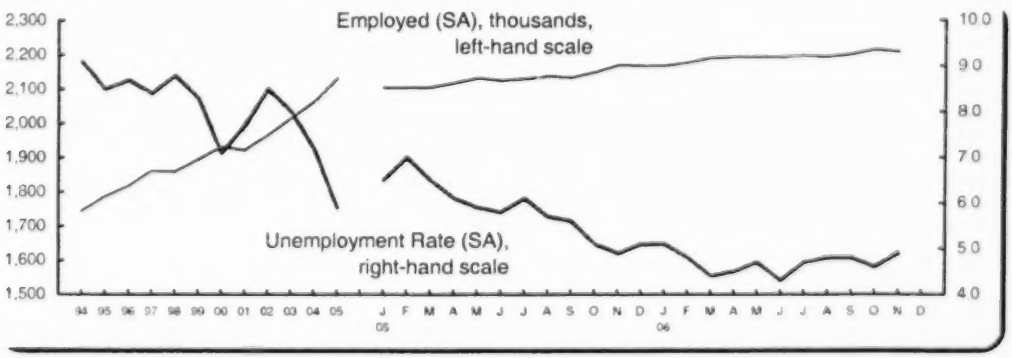
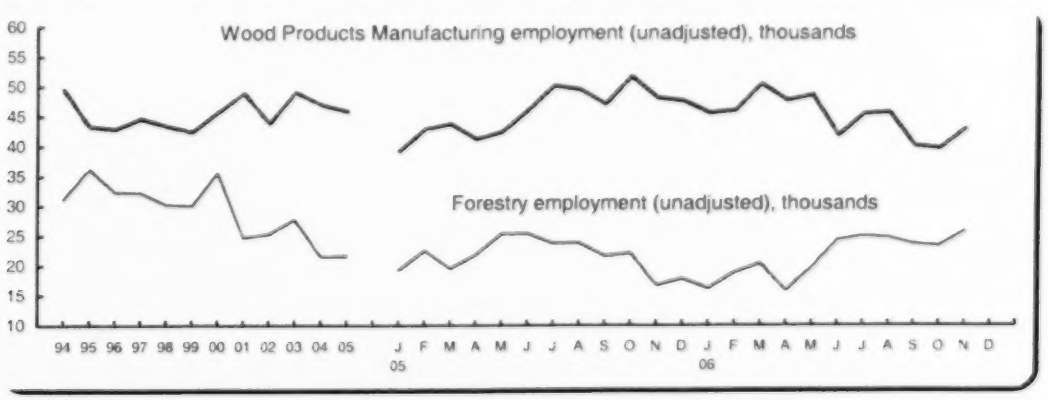


2 Employment by Industry — Goods

Source: Statistics Canada, 2001 unadjusted data est. by BC Stats.

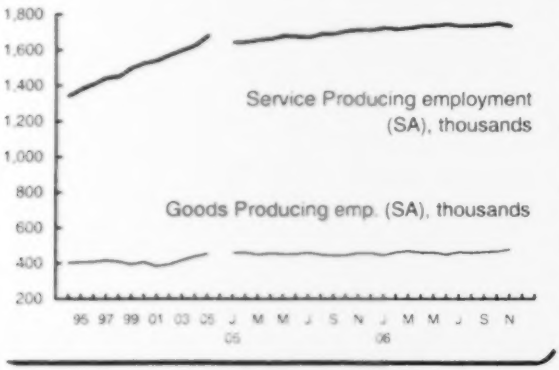
Period	Goods Producing	Agriculture	Forestry	Fishing & Trapping	Mining	Utilites	Construction	Manufacturing			
								Food	Wood	Paper	Total
	Thousands of persons										
	SA		Unadjusted			SA		Unadjusted			SA
2002	392.2	29.0	25.3	3.1	9.2	11.0	118.1	23.6	43.8	17.0	196.6
2003	416.4	32.9	27.7	4.6	13.3	11.3	119.8	27.3	49.0	14.4	206.8
2004	436.9	36.9	21.5	2.9	11.1	9.2	144.0	25.6	46.9	12.0	211.2
2005	452.7	38.7	21.6	2.1	13.8	10.3	26.4	26.4	45.8	12.3	198.2
Jan-04	427.8	35.9	18.6	5.0	10.8	9.6	130.0	37.0	47.9	10.5	214.4
Feb-04	423.7	37.2	21.6	3.3	11.2	8.7	126.2	28.2	48.1	10.9	213.7
Mar-04	424.0	36.3	21.2	3.2	9.2	9.7	133.1	24.8	54.7	9.4	209.8
Apr-04	429.7	37.6	18.7	2.8	8.6	10.2	135.5	24.1	49.9	10.4	212.0
May-04	434.8	41.2	19.5	3.6	10.4	10.6	138.2	23.1	47.7	14.4	210.6
Jun-04	442.8	39.7	25.1	3.0	10.6	10.6	146.5	22.1	46.4	14.6	209.2
Jul-04	441.9	37.1	27.6	2.5	10.1	9.0	145.5	18.8	50.3	13.6	214.7
Aug-04	442.0	35.9	22.9	3.8	10.7	10.0	147.9	22.5	45.3	11.9	213.8
Sep-04	441.6	33.1	22.0	2.6	11.1	8.6	153.4	22.5	45.0	11.5	212.3
Oct-04	446.2	36.9	21.4	2.4	12.9	8.1	158.1	26.9	42.3	12.7	208.7
Nov-04	443.3	34.7	19.9	1.6	13.2	7.3	156.6	29.4	41.8	11.0	209.0
Dec-04	447.5	38.0	19.7	-	14.8	7.6	157.6	28.4	43.2	13.0	207.1
Jan-05	458.9	39.6	19.2	-	13.8	8.1	164.3	33.3	39.2	12.5	209.4
Feb-05	460.6	40.4	22.5	1.6	12.7	9.5	165.5	33.6	42.9	12.4	206.7
Mar-05	449.2	39.5	19.5	-	14.3	10.2	164.0	30.4	43.7	12.9	199.5
Apr-05	455.5	40.7	21.8	-	12.0	10.4	168.3	26.9	41.2	13.8	196.1
May-05	452.0	38.6	25.3	3.1	12.4	12.9	164.9	27.7	42.4	13.8	194.3
Jun-05	450.4	39.2	25.4	4.9	12.8	13.3	166.0	24.9	46.0	11.0	191.4
Jul-05	458.4	42.6	23.7	2.0	14.4	13.0	167.9	30.3	50.1	12.5	199.6
Aug-05	447.6	37.9	23.8	1.7	14.6	11.2	168.8	27.4	49.5	12.7	192.6
Sep-05	443.6	35.6	21.6	1.7	13.7	10.3	166.3	23.2	47.0	9.6	195.5
Oct-05	443.2	36.7	22.1	3.2	14.3	9.7	167.1	21.2	51.7	9.9	192.7
Nov-05	457.3	34.3	16.7	1.6	15.6	8.2	172.7	18.6	48.1	13.2	207.1
Dec-05	457.0	39.6	17.8	2.5	15.0	7.3	180.4	19.0	47.6	13.0	193.4
Jan-06	443.2	34.2	16.1	3.5	17.3	8.6	168.3	15.7	45.6	12.2	191.4
Feb-06	460.8	36.0	18.8	3.5	15.4	8.0	173.3	19.5	46.0	12.8	204.3
Mar-06	467.7	36.4	20.3	2.6	14.9	7.2	177.2	18.7	50.4	12.2	207.1
Apr-06	459.9	35.8	15.8	2.5	16.2	6.6	177.4	22.3	47.7	14.4	201.0
May-06	459.9	36.0	19.6	2.8	18.2	8.1	174.1	21.5	48.6	18.4	201.6
Jun-06	449.5	32.2	24.3	3.8	17.6	8.8	176.0	17.6	41.8	17.8	191.0
Jul-06	463.6	34.1	25.0	2.8	18.0	9.2	183.6	17.1	45.5	15.2	196.4
Aug-06	459.1	33.6	24.7	3.7	20.8	9.0	183.5	17.4	45.7	16.3	188.4
Sep-06	463.5	34.0	23.6	1.8	23.6	8.9	182.7	20.7	40.1	17.8	190.8
Oct-06	466.3	33.6	23.3	2.4	24.4	10.0	181.0	21.3	39.7	14.6	195.1
Nov-06	478.2	35.6	25.8	-	24.4	9.8	182.1	19.7	43.0	15.2	198.8
Dec-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(t-tot, a-avg) YTD	a 461.1	a 34.7	a 21.6	a 2.9	a 19.2	a 8.6	a 178.1	a 19.2	a 44.9	a 15.2	a 196.9
% change	1.9	-10.3	-1.8	61.5	40.0	-19.3	6.7	-28.9	-1.5	24.3	-0.9
Last 12 months	460.7	35.1	21.3	2.8	18.8	8.5	178.3	19.2	45.1	15.0	196.6
Previous 12	452.0	38.6	21.8	1.7	13.8	10.4	166.1	27.2	45.4	12.3	199.3
% change	1.9	-9.1	-2.4	69.2	36.5	-18.4	7.3	-29.3	-0.6	22.1	-1.4
% ch. year ago	4.6	3.8	54.5	-25.0	56.4	19.5	5.4	5.9	-10.6	15.2	-4.0
% ch. prev mnth	2.6	6.0	10.7	33.3	0.0	-2.0	0.6	-7.5	8.3	4.1	1.9

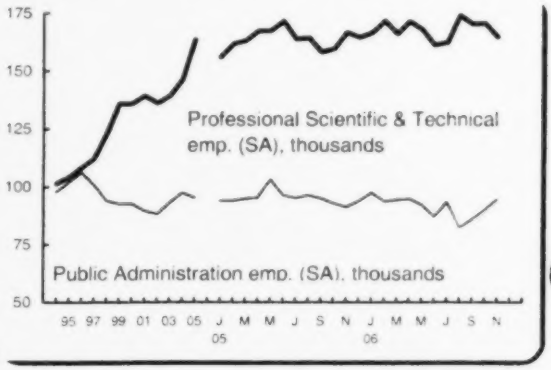


3 Employment by Industry — Services

Source: Statistics Canada

Period	Service Producing Sectors	Trade	Transportation & Warehousing	Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	Professional Scientific Technical	Education	Health & Social Assistance	Information, Culture & Recreation	Accommodation	Public Administration
	Thousands of persons									
	Seasonally Adjusted									
2002	1,572.8	324.9	112.9	123.3	136.1	139.3	211.6	106.0	162.5	88.1
2003	1,598.3	327.8	119.6	124.5	139.3	140.1	213.3	108.7	159.4	93.0
2004	1,625.8	315.8	116.5	129.2	146.3	135.9	219.2	114.8	175.3	97.2
2005	1,677.8	334.6	118.7	132.9	163.6	146.1	112.1	112.1	175.8	95.1
Jan-04	1,625.8	334.4	121.0	126.5	140.2	138.2	214.5	111.6	164.1	97.1
Feb-04	1,605.2	319.2	117.6	123.9	138.5	136.6	208.8	115.7	170.8	98.8
Mar-04	1,613.3	322.4	113.8	128.6	142.4	132.1	218.3	113.4	171.0	101.0
Apr-04	1,607.3	314.0	117.2	131.0	143.7	130.7	215.9	109.7	174.7	99.0
May-04	1,619.7	315.1	116.7	130.0	146.0	135.6	216.0	111.7	171.0	97.9
Jun-04	1,636.8	314.8	123.2	127.6	144.6	135.8	224.5	116.8	178.3	96.2
Jul-04	1,632.6	319.8	120.3	125.3	142.5	133.8	220.2	117.8	177.4	96.9
Aug-04	1,621.5	311.1	115.0	133.3	145.3	126.5	218.9	121.4	177.9	97.4
Sep-04	1,633.1	312.8	114.0	128.8	143.9	141.2	227.3	117.4	176.8	97.1
Oct-04	1,633.5	309.4	115.7	131.9	152.5	139.4	219.2	116.6	176.2	96.1
Nov-04	1,633.9	306.5	111.2	130.7	159.4	141.3	221.4	111.1	182.2	94.5
Dec-04	1,645.4	311.1	112.2	133.3	156.1	138.0	225.9	111.8	183.0	94.6
Jan-05	1,643.5	321.4	114.9	128.3	155.9	139.1	220.4	109.5	177.1	93.8
Feb-05	1,642.5	322.2	113.5	130.9	161.7	143.3	218.9	104.3	166.8	93.9
Mar-05	1,655.3	328.0	114.2	137.3	163.1	143.5	216.4	101.7	166.0	94.8
Apr-05	1,661.4	323.2	110.7	131.7	167.2	149.2	213.7	103.2	178.5	95.3
May-05	1,678.7	329.1	119.0	134.9	167.3	149.2	208.3	102.9	177.2	103.1
Jun-05	1,673.4	321.4	118.1	139.8	171.5	151.4	209.7	110.5	173.3	96.3
Jul-05	1,670.4	323.4	124.0	135.6	163.8	153.9	211.9	106.9	179.5	95.1
Aug-05	1,689.4	338.4	122.9	137.0	164.3	149.5	220.2	107.0	174.3	96.2
Sep-05	1,688.8	342.4	124.9	127.4	158.1	148.3	220.7	118.4	177.4	94.9
Oct-05	1,705.5	359.8	121.6	129.2	159.6	139.9	225.1	121.6	178.9	92.8
Nov-05	1,711.7	353.1	120.8	131.9	166.6	142.0	225.7	127.6	178.6	91.2
Dec-05	1,710.0	351.4	118.4	131.1	164.5	146.1	218.2	129.0	181.4	93.8
Jan-06	1,723.7	352.0	124.2	128.0	166.5	152.0	210.6	124.7	180.3	97.4
Feb-06	1,715.2	361.1	128.7	129.4	171.6	150.2	213.2	113.2	174.8	93.6
Mar-06	1,721.3	358.9	126.1	132.7	166.1	153.1	224.3	120.5	161.8	94.3
Apr-06	1,733.0	365.3	123.8	129.5	171.4	152.4	224.1	123.0	166.8	94.8
May-06	1,733.7	364.5	122.2	132.3	168.0	151.4	237.3	118.4	167.1	92.2
Jun-06	1,742.3	369.4	124.3	136.4	161.3	154.5	243.7	116.7	167.4	87.0
Jul-06	1,732.1	349.1	114.7	141.7	162.3	160.2	245.4	113.0	165.1	93.3
Aug-06	1,734.3	347.9	115.1	145.1	174.0	155.5	242.1	108.4	168.7	82.4
Sep-06	1,737.2	350.2	115.2	141.1	170.3	156.9	238.1	108.8	171.5	85.9
Oct-06	1,747.7	345.1	113.5	143.4	170.5	159.6	238.9	110.3	176.9	89.9
Nov-06	1,730.3	346.1	114.3	148.8	164.6	159.4	229.1	105.3	173.4	94.5
Dec-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(t-tot, a-avg) YTD	a 1,731.9	a 355.4	a 120.2	a 137.1	a 167.9	a 155.0	a 231.5	a 114.8	a 170.4	a 91.4
% change	3.4	6.7	1.3	3.0	2.6	6.0	6.5	4.0	-2.8	-4.0
Last 12 months	1,730.1	355.1	120.0	136.6	167.6	154.3	230.4	115.9	171.3	91.6
Previous 12	1,672.2	331.1	118.1	133.1	162.9	145.6	218.1	110.5	175.9	95.2
% change	3.5	7.2	1.7	2.6	2.9	6.0	5.7	5.0	-2.6	-3.8
% ch. year ago	1.1	-2.0	-5.4	12.8	-1.2	12.3	1.5	-17.5	-2.9	3.6
% ch. prev mnth	-1.0	0.3	0.7	3.8	-3.5	-0.1	-4.1	-4.5	-2.0	5.1





4 Business & Consumer

Incorporations/Corporate & Personal Registries,
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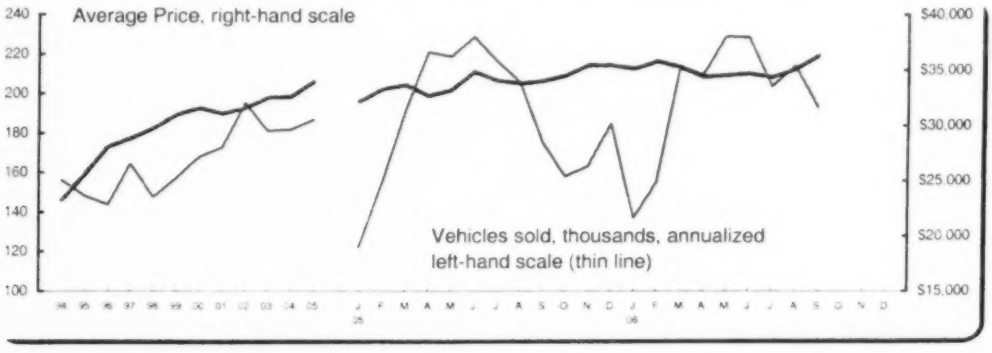
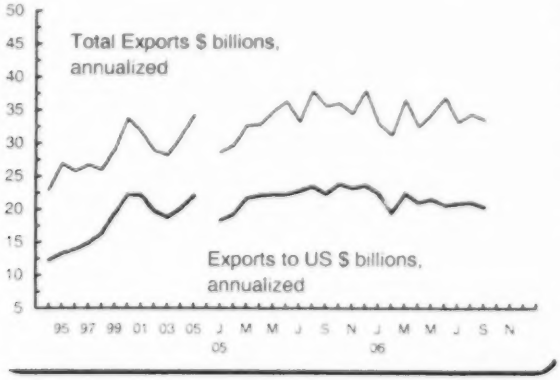
	Business				Consumer				
			Bankruptcies Office of Superintendent of Bankruptcy Canada			Retail Sales, All Stores		New Motor Vehicle Sales	
	Wholesale Sales	Business Incorporations	Business	Consumer	Consumer Price Index (BC)	British Columbia	Vancouver, Metropolitan	Units	Value
	$ million	Number			(1992=100)	$ million		Number	$ thousand
Period	SA	Unadjusted				SA	Unadjusted		
2002	38,228.9	21,262	1,107	9,531	117.9	43,265.0	-	195,132	6,151,629
2003	39,658.9	23,243	1,002	9,385	120.4	44,421.0	-	180,924	5,868,376
2004	43,521.2	25,428	922	8,378	122.8	47,216.6	22,243.6	181,605	5,907,610
2005	47,277.0	28,593	786	8,173	125.3	49,914.5	22,618.1	186,581	6,324,879
Jan-04	3,339.4	2,115	79	665	120.8	3,777.8	1,647.3	10,894	353,088
Feb-04	3,362.0	2,015	71	757	121.3	3,801.5	1,605.7	11,896	385,560
Mar-04	3,478.7	2,045	89	877	121.6	3,881.1	1,757.2	16,155	520,301
Apr-04	3,550.0	2,109	94	730	122.4	3,906.4	1,833.1	16,582	537,134
May-04	3,585.5	2,156	73	692	123.4	3,937.4	1,917.1	18,600	589,843
Jun-04	3,646.6	2,337	75	832	123.6	3,961.0	1,969.3	18,040	595,439
Jul-04	3,760.3	2,075	68	618	123.4	3,998.9	2,001.4	16,246	524,992
Aug-04	3,780.9	2,031	74	610	123.3	3,956.4	1,826.7	15,073	487,328
Sep-04	3,699.1	2,022	57	681	123.5	3,970.1	1,837.1	14,388	470,545
Oct-04	3,833.0	2,015	79	684	123.5	4,025.7	1,816.2	14,063	463,546
Nov-04	3,710.4	2,109	81	643	123.7	4,009.1	1,773.4	14,293	472,926
Dec-04	3,775.2	2,399	81	597	123.5	3,991.2	2,259.1	15,375	506,908
Jan-05	3,599.8	2,141	52	665	123.6	3,951.0	1,611.1	10,199	327,696
Feb-05	3,837.8	2,223	70	798	123.8	4,084.2	1,591.9	12,920	429,511
Mar-05	3,838.4	2,450	74	742	124.1	4,122.7	1,820.4	15,901	534,497
Apr-05	3,910.1	2,460	64	741	124.9	4,127.4	1,830.7	18,393	599,968
May-05	3,966.4	2,445	77	739	125.2	4,138.2	1,906.3	18,206	603,311
Jun-05	3,948.3	2,584	61	707	125.4	4,129.1	1,992.4	19,041	662,610
Jul-05	3,850.8	2,220	60	628	125.7	4,199.1	1,938.4	18,002	612,133
Aug-05	4,031.1	2,331	76	647	125.9	4,285.6	1,925.3	17,153	578,802
Sep-05	4,080.8	2,419	66	670	126.5	4,243.4	1,921.2	14,607	496,354
Oct-05	4,008.0	2,408	66	615	126.3	4,240.8	1,855.6	13,167	453,711
Nov-05	4,034.6	2,469	60	710	126.2	4,265.9	1,859.0	13,592	481,395
Dec-05	4,170.9	2,443	60	517	125.7	4,239.7	2,365.7	15,400	544,891
Jan-06	4,267.0	2,477	61	581	125.6	4,323.3	1,726.2	11,414	400,721
Feb-06	4,173.1	2,602	63	655	125.8	4,327.5	1,679.0	12,938	462,714
Mar-06	4,234.3	2,879	65	707	126.3	4,358.4	1,949.3	17,823	627,786
Apr-06	4,147.6	2,407	53	607	127.1	4,418.7	1,941.2	17,464	600,497
May-06	4,175.7	2,862	58	632	128.1	4,477.1	2,155.5	19,071	658,305
Jun-06	4,156.2	2,715	48	646	128.1	4,422.9	2,191.9	19,035	660,335
Jul-06	4,203.0	2,364	37	484	128.2	4,493.0	2,133.1	16,976	583,406
Aug-06	4,492.4	2,518	32	577	128.4	4,522.6	2,133.0	17,871	626,819
Sep-06	4,250.3	2,517	50	583	127.8	4,481.8	2,056.8	16,092	584,145
Oct-06	-	2,509	42	587	127.7	-	-	-	-
Nov-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(t-tot, a-avg) YTD	t 38,099.5	t 25,850	t 509	t 6,059	a 127.3	t 39,825.3	t 17,966.0	t 148,684	t 5,204,728
% change	8.7	9.2	-23.6	-12.8	1.7	6.8	8.6	3.0	7.4
Last 12 months	50,313.1	30,762	629	7,286	127.1	52,571.7	24,046.2	190,843	6,684,725
Previous 12	46,382.1	28,189	828	8,192	124.9	49,306.7	22,386.6	188,153	6,288,262
% change	8.5	9.1	-24.0	-11.1	1.8	6.6	7.4	1.4	6.3
% ch. year ago	4.2	4.2	-36.4	-4.6	1.1	5.6	7.1	10.2	17.7
% ch. prev mnth	-5.4	-0.3	-16.0	0.7	-0.1	-0.9	-3.6	-10.0	-6.8

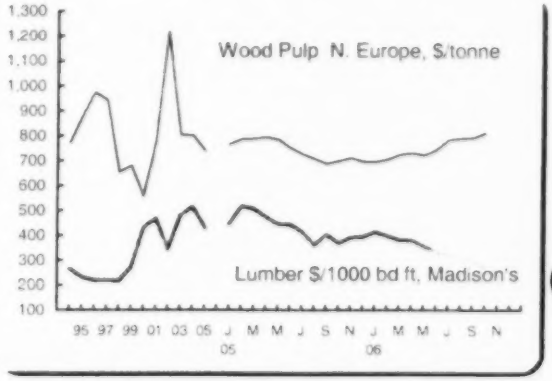


5 Foreign Trade & Commodities

Exports, Imports/Statistics Canada. Lumber/Madison's. Metals/London Metal Exchange. Oil/W Texas Intermed.

	BC Origin Exports to			Imports	Commodity Prices in Canadian $ (conversion to SC by Treasury Board Staff)						
	Total All Countries	United States	Japan	through BC ports	Lumber WSPF Madison's	Wood Pulp N. Europe	Copper London	Gold London	Silver London	Zinc London	Crude Oil
	$ million				$/1000 bd ft	$/tonne	$/lb	$/troy oz	$/troy oz	$/lb	$ per Barrel
Period	Unadjusted										
2002	28,828.4	19,665.8	3,858.5	31,534.4	344.86	1,218.08	1.11	486.82	7.23	6.77	40.95
2003	28,189.3	18,792.3	3,649.7	31,267.9	480.11	804.60	1.13	507.90	6.81	6.28	43.71
2004	30,977.6	20,121.2	3,799.3	32,874.6	514.74	801.46	1.68	531.61	8.64	0.61	53.73
2005	34,141.9	22,076.4	4,163.5	35,294.3	430.78	741.26	2.02	538.18	8.86	0.75	68.28
Jan-04	2,052.1	1,367.5	247.3	2,149.3	441.93	725.75	1.43	536.18	8.18	0.60	44.41
Feb-04	2,247.3	1,434.5	283.4	2,440.5	515.64	765.48	1.66	538.07	8.56	0.65	46.17
Mar-04	2,589.8	1,689.8	322.1	3,026.9	508.76	798.34	1.81	540.20	9.60	0.66	48.83
Apr-04	2,605.1	1,731.7	279.1	2,682.8	574.57	845.74	1.79	541.36	9.48	0.63	49.25
May-04	2,966.3	1,863.3	390.0	2,945.1	628.52	882.13	1.61	528.97	8.06	0.61	55.52
Jun-04	2,860.4	1,865.1	382.9	2,866.1	577.01	883.84	1.66	532.62	7.96	0.62	51.62
Jul-04	2,773.2	1,829.6	340.4	2,801.4	555.22	871.16	1.69	526.25	8.34	0.59	53.79
Aug-04	2,804.8	1,841.6	349.2	2,828.4	599.48	847.40	1.69	525.31	8.74	0.58	58.95
Sep-04	2,629.1	1,749.4	328.3	2,877.6	543.45	807.45	1.69	521.92	8.24	0.57	59.17
Oct-04	2,538.7	1,639.9	287.7	2,863.4	425.21	745.67	1.70	524.29	8.85	0.60	66.25
Nov-04	2,434.6	1,576.9	275.1	2,877.6	376.76	703.29	1.67	525.54	8.95	0.60	57.96
Dec-04	2,476.2	1,531.9	313.9	2,515.6	430.35	741.22	1.73	538.58	8.66	0.66	52.82
Jan-05	2,386.2	1,528.5	265.4	2,525.0	447.25	767.06	1.76	519.58	8.10	0.69	57.39
Feb-05	2,472.5	1,601.1	301.7	2,675.2	516.94	785.95	1.82	524.69	8.71	0.74	59.47
Mar-05	2,716.6	1,806.8	307.6	3,057.2	507.11	788.03	1.86	528.16	8.83	0.75	66.05
Apr-05	2,734.6	1,837.4	301.9	2,868.6	473.40	794.76	1.90	530.57	8.80	0.73	65.56
May-05	2,896.2	1,854.1	376.9	3,011.6	444.45	783.44	1.85	529.69	8.81	0.70	62.56
Jun-05	3,023.8	1,852.5	404.1	3,073.2	444.00	750.33	1.98	534.11	9.18	0.72	69.77
Jul-05	2,765.7	1,896.0	337.1	2,636.8	413.29	726.31	2.01	518.99	8.57	0.66	71.78
Aug-05	3,156.0	1,955.2	373.7	3,197.7	362.41	706.76	2.07	527.28	8.48	0.71	78.23
Sep-05	2,963.9	1,855.7	427.4	3,204.1	403.91	687.71	2.06	537.04	8.42	0.74	77.21
Oct-05	2,996.8	1,987.3	327.6	3,247.7	368.58	698.30	2.17	553.24	9.03	0.79	73.45
Nov-05	2,866.7	1,933.2	297.6	3,070.0	392.12	709.83	2.29	562.92	9.30	0.86	68.86
Dec-05	3,162.9	1,968.7	442.6	2,727.2	395.90	696.60	2.41	591.83	10.03	0.96	69.00
Jan-06	2,741.1	1,863.9	321.8	2,912.8	414.31	695.53	2.49	636.35	10.59	1.10	75.81
Feb-06	2,599.5	1,614.3	317.3	2,797.6	397.52	704.27	2.59	637.63	10.95	1.15	70.81
Mar-06	3,043.1	1,862.9	413.2	3,363.8	381.94	724.53	2.74	644.78	12.01	1.30	72.80
Apr-06	2,703.6	1,749.3	391.7	3,316.3	380.88	730.87	3.32	698.45	14.43	1.60	79.71
May-06	2,863.7	1,792.3	409.9	3,531.0	356.14	723.37	4.06	749.32	14.92	1.80	78.71
Jun-06	3,072.1	1,714.2	599.2	3,210.5	331.93	744.05	3.66	664.04	12.03	1.63	79.04
Jul-06	2,763.7	1,735.8	339.3	3,182.7	327.48	783.69	3.96	715.64	12.68	1.71	84.03
Aug-06	2,858.7	1,751.0	469.5	3,634.6	301.93	789.49	3.91	707.40	13.62	1.70	81.69
Sep-06	2,788.8	1,691.3	362.5	3,269.2	304.72	792.48	3.86	667.68	13.04	1.72	71.29
Oct-06	-	-	-	-	271.99	811.46	3.85	661.11	13.05	1.96	66.45
Nov-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(t-tot, a-avg) YTD	t 25,434.4	t 15,775.1	t 3,624.5	t 29,218.6	a 346.88	a 749.97	a 3.44	a 678.24	a 12.73	a 1.57	a 76.03
% change	1.3	-2.5	17.1	11.3	-20.8	0.1	76.8	27.9	46.5	116.7	11.6
Last 12 months	34,460.7	21,664.3	4,692.4	38,263.5	354.74	742.18	3.26	661.43	12.22	1.46	74.85
Previous 12	32,565.1	20,936.0	3,972.3	34,506.0	432.37	744.43	1.91	530.62	8.71	0.71	66.02
% change	5.8	3.5	18.1	10.9	-18.0	-0.3	71.1	24.7	40.3	106.0	13.4
% ch. year ago	-5.9	-8.9	-15.2	2.0	-26.2	16.2	77.4	19.5	44.5	148.1	-9.5
% ch. prev mnth	-2.4	-3.4	-22.8	-10.1	-10.7	2.4	-0.3	-1.0	0.1	14.0	-6.8

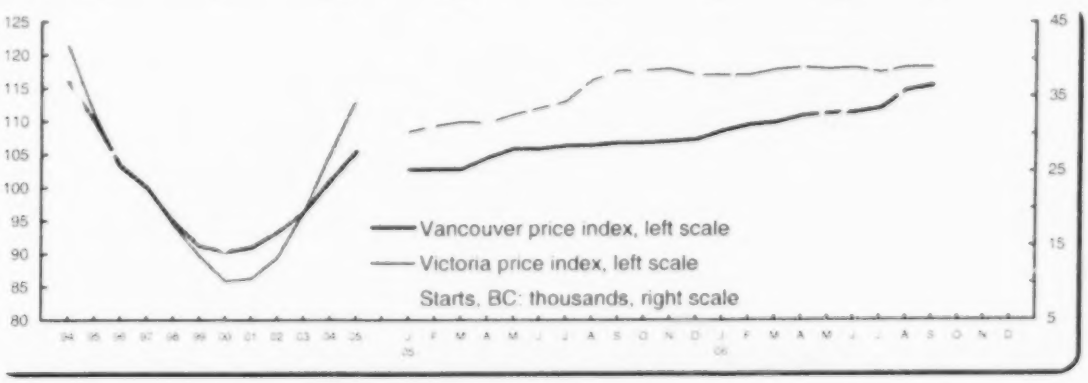




6 Construction and Housing

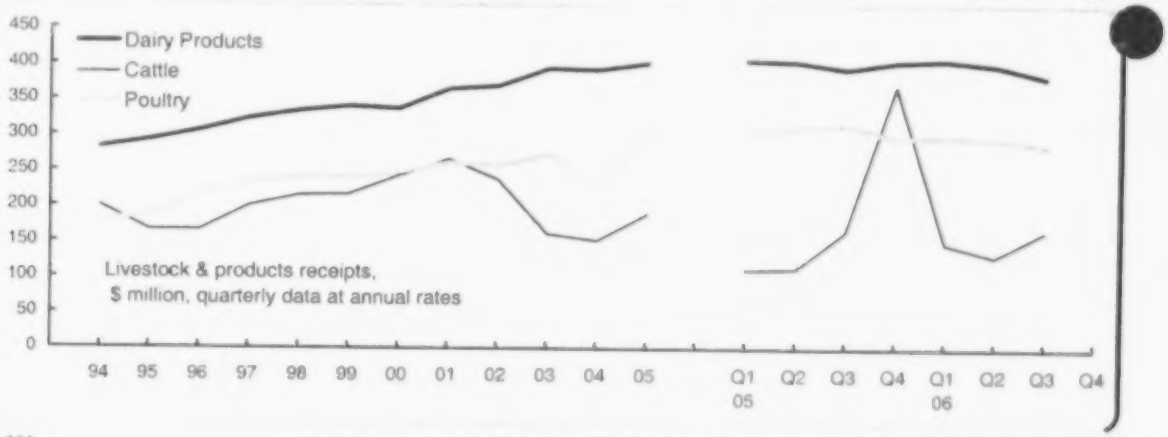
Housing Starts/Canada Mortgage & Housing Corporation. MLS/Multiple Listing Service

	Building Permits (Source: Statistics Canada)					Housing Starts	New House Price Index (Source: Statistics Canada)		MLS® Average
	Total	Residential	Industrial	Commercial	Institutional & Government	All Areas	Vancouver,	Victoria	Sale Price
	$ thousand					Thousands	1997=100		$
Period	Seasonally Adjusted					SAAR	Unadjusted		
2002	5,659,415	3,888,147	230,119	1,116,741	424,408	21.6	93.2	89.3	238,758
2003	6,394,238	4,514,185	244,024	1,129,623	506,406	26.2	96.3	96.3	259,835
2004	7,938,727	5,868,937	328,050	1,228,027	513,713	32.9	101.0	105.1	288,859
2005	10,191,099	6,978,962	346,203	1,886,405	979,529	34.7	105.4	113.3	332,137
Jan-04	682,714	504,331	6,975	148,860	22,548	33.7	99.0	101.4	274,852
Feb-04	651,731	520,059	24,844	96,899	9,929	29.5	99.2	101.5	282,348
Mar-04	566,464	431,463	15,345	91,309	28,347	30.9	99.7	102.6	286,844
Apr-04	581,721	458,856	13,719	90,008	19,138	39.1	100.1	103.7	291,398
May-04	577,987	441,417	17,612	82,705	36,253	33.3	100.9	104.4	289,975
Jun-04	1,005,651	763,616	48,218	132,069	61,748	31.7	101.0	105.0	287,158
Jul-04	620,577	452,681	27,024	69,924	70,948	28.7	101.1	105.8	281,604
Aug-04	592,510	397,874	37,720	117,510	39,406	40.8	101.8	107.0	285,140
Sep-04	664,147	501,614	28,060	98,657	35,816	31.9	101.9	107.3	287,547
Oct-04	526,629	411,685	14,598	84,941	15,405	25.9	102.0	107.0	301,576
Nov-04	838,499	605,928	68,221	99,686	64,664	34.7	102.5	107.1	296,667
Dec-04	630,098	379,414	25,714	115,459	109,511	34.0	102.7	107.8	303,977
Jan-05	667,362	470,616	20,733	123,373	52,640	28.2	102.7	108.4	292,038
Feb-05	782,997	540,827	14,618	189,691	37,861	31.5	102.8	109.3	311,563
Mar-05	897,933	515,969	29,540	246,861	105,563	34.8	102.8	109.9	320,262
Apr-05	870,433	613,422	24,761	192,197	40,053	31.0	104.5	109.8	323,674
May-05	798,619	527,113	18,409	144,441	108,656	35.7	105.9	111.0	331,021
Jun-05	831,515	519,079	41,145	149,410	121,881	31.1	105.9	112.0	330,291
Jul-05	781,715	495,163	44,321	108,279	133,952	36.9	106.3	113.0	334,685
Aug-05	924,472	628,201	37,498	148,824	109,949	35.8	106.4	116.2	334,556
Sep-05	857,646	615,236	16,409	167,241	58,760	39.3	106.8	117.6	348,803
Oct-05	884,465	661,958	24,918	119,378	78,211	38.2	106.8	117.7	341,203
Nov-05	843,879	606,211	31,774	129,834	76,060	34.0	107.0	117.9	345,741
Dec-05	1,050,064	785,169	42,077	166,875	55,943	38.0	107.3	117.0	355,523
Jan-06	763,587	525,126	14,958	150,707	72,796	35.5	108.6	117.0	356,448
Feb-06	850,813	557,292	28,399	184,226	80,896	42.1	109.5	117.0	367,922
Mar-06	1,146,401	727,262	24,400	217,225	177,514	42.2	109.9	117.8	383,564
Apr-06	827,498	593,533	20,940	164,211	48,814	39.1	110.9	118.2	388,889
May-06	970,006	589,507	25,213	200,777	154,509	30.5	111.2	117.9	398,683
Jun-06	924,386	640,510	51,555	159,954	72,367	34.5	111.4	118.1	399,810
Jul-06	907,842	582,500	23,907	227,310	74,125	41.2	112.0	117.4	387,434
Aug-06	965,282	644,936	38,862	207,557	73,927	33.4	114.8	118.2	395,253
Sep-06	893,633	656,744	43,272	141,153	52,464	33.9	115.4	118.2	369,537
Oct-06	1,126,175	595,193	22,740	406,736	101,506	36.6	-	-	410,728
Nov-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(t-tot, a-avg) YTD	t 9,375,623	t 6,112,603	t 294,246	t 2,059,856	t 908,918	a 36.9	a 111.5	a 117.8	a 385,827
% change	13.0	9.4	8.0	29.6	7.2	7.7	6.3	5.2	18.1
Last 12 months	11,269,566	7,503,983	368,097	2,356,565	1,040,921	36.8	110.4	117.7	379,961
Previous 12	9,765,754	6,572,926	366,287	1,804,840	1,021,701	34.3	104.3	110.8	322,395
% change	15.4	14.2	0.5	30.6	1.9	7.2	5.9	6.3	17.9
% ch, year ago	27.3	-10.1	-8.7	240.7	29.8	-4.2	8.1	0.5	20.4
% ch, prev mnth	26.0	-9.4	-47.4	188.2	93.5	8.0	0.5	0.0	11.1



7 Agriculture

Period	Farm Cash Receipts (Source: Statistics Canada)									
	Livestock and Products					Crops					Total Farm Cash Receipts
	Dairy Products	Cattle	Poultry	Other	Total	Fruit	Greenhouse Vegetables	Florist/ Nursery	Other	Total	
	$ thousand										
	Unadjusted										
2002	368,630	237,056	257,753	266,186	1,129,625	173,978	180,247	423,694	256,525	1,034,444	2,194,984
2003	393,102	160,624	273,039	254,821	1,081,586	215,496	226,209	459,244	241,335	1,142,284	2,283,276
2004	391,731	151,498	228,146	240,324	1,011,699	239,330	251,117	465,246	246,795	1,202,488	2,401,739
2005	400,632	188,775	306,837	277,198	1,173,442	220,254	224,353	398,465	247,045	1,090,117	2,383,787
Q1-04	97,946	23,435	68,963	59,578	249,922	30,324	15,582	116,310	57,591	219,807	496,382
Q2-04	99,669	26,659	37,087	42,200	205,615	34,900	110,490	226,548	41,422	413,360	656,344
Q3-04	97,554	28,541	46,248	49,873	222,216	87,675	88,109	31,539	71,822	279,145	515,227
Q4-04	96,562	72,863	75,848	88,673	333,946	86,431	36,936	90,849	75,960	290,176	733,786
Q1-05	101,163	27,552	76,294	56,643	261,652	20,966	13,893	99,614	51,240	185,713	488,524
Q2-05	100,652	27,989	77,676	46,119	252,436	35,468	98,706	194,509	38,441	367,124	667,708
Q3-05	98,163	41,094	78,557	63,096	280,910	82,659	79,709	28,927	74,953	266,248	556,090
Q4-05	100,654	92,140	74,310	111,340	378,444	81,161	32,045	75,415	82,411	271,032	671,465
Q1-06	101,403	37,031	74,385	58,983	271,802	20,795	14,003	100,412	49,278	184,488	486,959
Q2-06	99,642	32,550	74,020	49,519	255,731	34,060	98,331	196,067	36,660	365,118	644,026
Q3-06	95,521	41,440	71,477	60,103	268,541	84,154	80,489	29,160	88,670	282,473	573,585
Q4-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(Tot. & Avg) YTD	t 296,566	t 111,021	t 219,882	t 168,605	t 796,074	t 139,009	t 192,823	t 325,639	t 174,608	t 832,079	t 1,704,570
% change	-1.1	14.9	-5.4	1.7	0.1	-0.1	0.3	0.8	6.1	1.6	-0.5
Last 4 quarters	397,220	203,161	294,192	279,945	1,174,518	220,170	224,868	401,054	257,019	1,103,111	2,376,035
Previous 4	396,540	169,498	308,375	254,531	1,128,944	225,524	229,244	413,899	240,594	1,109,261	2,446,108
% change	0.2	19.9	-4.6	10.0	4.0	-2.4	-1.9	-3.1	6.8	-0.6	-2.9
% ch. year ago	-2.7	0.8	-9.0	-4.7	-4.4	2.1	1.0	0.8	19.5	6.1	3.1
% ch. prev qtr	-4.1	27.3	-3.4	21.4	5.0	121.0	-18.1	-85.1	177.4	-22.6	-10.9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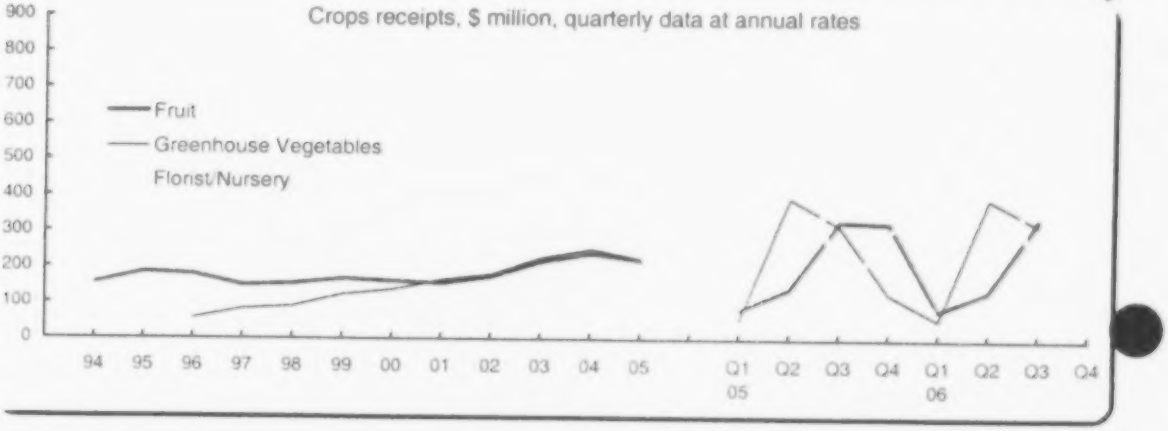
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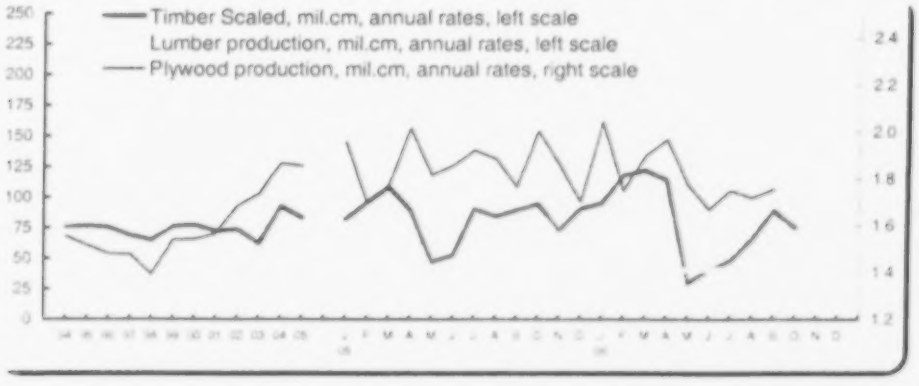
8 Forestry & Fibre

Timber/Ministry of Forests. Lumber and Plywood/Statistics Canada
Pulp and Paper/Pulp and Paper Products Council

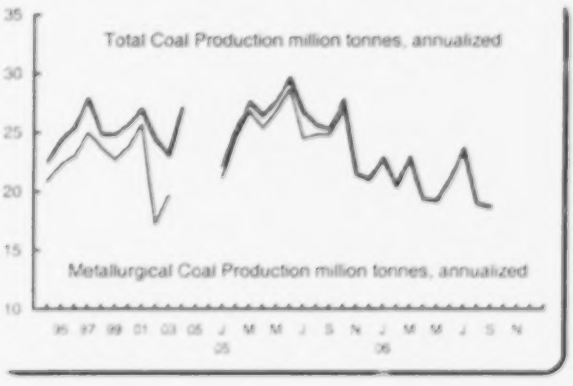
Period	Timber Scaled	Production					Shipments			
		Lumber	Ply-wood	News-print	Other Paper	Total Paper	Market Pulp	News-print	Other paper	Total
	Cubic metres (000s)		Cubic metres	Thousands of tonnes			Thousands of tonnes			
	Unadjusted									
2002	73,519	35,500.9	1,680,352	1,159	1,731	2,890	4,477	1,171	1,729	7,380
2003	61,925	36,030.9	1,733,080	1,190	1,692	2,882	4,762	1,186	1,733	7,609
2004	92,361	39,879.3	1,863,057	1,144	1,843	2,987	4,724	1,135	1,841	7,698
2005	83,134	41,012.9	1,852,861	1,068	1,869	2,937	4,932	1,076	1,877	7,887
Jan-04	8,387	3,023.5	165,383	103	151	254	389	96	139	624
Feb-04	4,894	3,170.3	136,844	96	147	243	387	96	140	622
Mar-04	15,492	3,557.0	154,530	98	164	262	386	112	171	669
Apr-04	8,174	3,554.6	168,132	102	156	258	388	89	155	631
May-04	6,313	3,148.0	152,888	95	147	242	392	97	156	645
Jun-04	5,090	3,387.1	154,608	84	145	229	353	103	154	610
Jul-04	6,876	3,407.2	155,068	96	159	255	360	93	159	612
Aug-04	7,327	3,167.9	150,452	88	156	244	350	82	147	580
Sep-04	7,002	3,440.7	154,500	85	153	238	391	89	150	630
Oct-04	8,338	3,699.3	164,606	104	148	252	449	86	149	684
Nov-04	7,822	3,263.7	154,964	92	149	241	415	96	155	665
Dec-04	6,646	3,060.0	151,082	101	168	269	464	96	166	726
Jan-05	6,849	3,496.5	162,852	90	162	252	390	85	156	631
Feb-05	7,966	3,393.5	141,470	87	146	233	371	90	151	612
Mar-05	9,031	3,452.2	147,391	90	151	241	398	96	151	646
Apr-05	7,460	3,804.3	167,804	86	159	245	392	92	157	641
May-05	3,925	3,269.7	151,197	85	141	226	386	84	147	618
Jun-05	4,373	3,509.2	154,568	84	151	235	423	88	149	660
Jul-05	7,536	3,516.2	159,965	92	159	251	354	65	146	565
Aug-05	7,023	3,345.1	156,962	84	162	246	461	95	168	724
Sep-05	7,452	3,405.1	147,067	84	160	244	443	97	158	698
Oct-05	7,877	3,610.2	166,820	92	169	261	447	92	173	712
Nov-05	6,080	3,248.9	154,939	94	155	249	385	90	171	646
Dec-05	7,562	2,962.0	141,826	100	154	254	482	102	150	734
Jan-06	7,933	3,822.7	170,242	93	163	256	427	86	150	664
Feb-06	9,858	3,463.7	145,706	89	149	238	418	89	149	656
Mar-06	10,169	3,783.6	158,070	87	170	257	388	98	182	667
Apr-06	9,551	3,673.2	163,817	89	165	254	391	85	151	627
May-06	2,496	3,357.8	147,854	84	167	251	380	85	175	641
Jun-06	3,391	3,359.7	139,026	95	155	250	428	96	168	692
Jul-06	4,013	3,516.3	145,679	88	164	252	381	80	164	626
Aug-06	5,495	3,311.0	143,224	86	163	249	402	95	169	666
Sep-06	7,425	3,304.6	146,236	85	162	247	421	80	164	664
Oct-06	6,281	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(t tot, a avg) YTD	t 66,612	t 31,593	t 1,359,854	t 796	t 1,458	t 2,254	t 3,636	t 794	t 1,472	t 5,903
% change	-4.1	1.3	-2.1	1.8	4.8	3.7	0.5	0.3	6.4	1.9
Last 12 months	80,254	41,414	1,823,439	1,082	1,936	3,018	4,950	1,078	1,966	7,995
Previous 12	83,960	41,215	1,859,928	1,079	1,856	2,935	4,946	1,070	1,853	7,870
% change	-4.4	0.5	-2.0	0.3	4.3	2.8	0.1	0.7	6.1	1.6
% ch year ago	-20.3	-3.0	-0.6	1.2	1.3	1.2	-5.0	-17.5	3.8	-4.9
% ch prev mnth	-15.4	-0.2	2.1	-1.2	-0.6	-0.8	4.7	-15.8	-3.0	-0.3

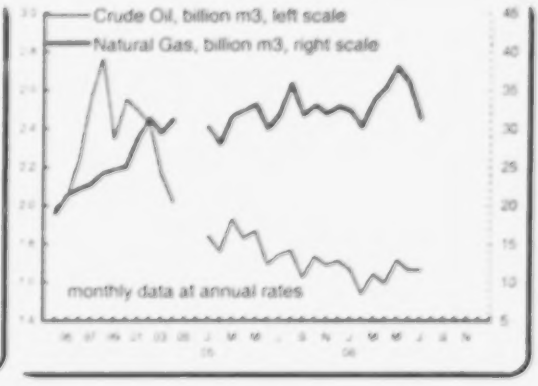


9 Mining and Energy

Coal/Statistics Canada (total) & Min. of Energy and Mines. Metals/Ministry of Energy and Mines & Natural Resources Canada. Energy/Statistics Canada.

	Coal			Base Metal				Precious Metal		Energy		
	Thermal	Metal-lurgical	Total	Copper	Lead	Zinc	Moly	Gold	Silver	Natural Gas	Crude Oil	Electricity
Period	Thousands of tonnes			Million kilograms				Million grams		Million m3	Thousand m3	MW h
	Unadjusted											
2002	1,587.1	17,256.6	24,397.0	248.3	6.3	68.0	8.0	21.7	652.7	31,323.9	2,423.7	64,944,991
2003	1,137.6	19,641.3	23,061.0	245.5	20.0	65.7	8.9	22.9	676.9	29,483.4	2,168.2	63,050,922
2004	874.3	26,369.1	27,082.0	240.8	2.3	44.6	9.5	20.4	594.6	31,201.3	2,019.0	60,495,613
2005	-	-	25,571.0	289.2	3.7	49.5	16.6	16.6	451.0	31,892.8	1,765.7	67,627,307
Jan-04	59.3	1,662.0	1,721.0	16.3	-	-	1.1	1.1	48.3	2,548.7	179.4	6,694,914
Feb-04	95.5	2,041.0	2,137.0	17.0	-	-	1.0	1.4	55.8	2,535.2	168.5	5,443,423
Mar-04	70.9	2,379.9	2,452.0	20.6	0.2	0.3	0.9	1.7	47.7	2,759.0	173.2	4,945,324
Apr-04	62.8	2,402.2	2,465.0	19.2	0.1	11.8	0.8	2.1	59.0	2,801.1	179.4	4,513,015
May-04	106.7	2,340.6	2,445.0	19.6	0.5	6.7	0.9	1.7	49.5	2,806.2	179.6	4,384,434
Jun-04	96.0	2,101.1	2,197.0	19.1	0.4	3.2	1.0	1.5	44.0	2,422.0	168.7	4,135,339
Jul-04	57.8	2,126.5	2,267.0	19.2	0.2	6.3	0.7	1.4	36.7	2,614.3	165.6	5,161,783
Aug-04	69.9	2,288.7	2,179.0	19.2	-	-	0.7	1.7	46.0	2,471.6	171.2	4,984,243
Sep-04	62.3	2,321.2	2,328.0	21.5	0.3	7.0	0.7	2.0	61.1	2,459.6	149.4	3,960,909
Oct-04	67.6	2,406.2	2,474.0	20.6	0.0	3.3	0.6	2.1	51.5	2,598.6	166.5	4,669,500
Nov-04	70.1	2,278.6	2,344.0	25.0	0.3	3.0	0.8	1.7	55.4	2,578.8	154.9	5,353,623
Dec-04	55.4	2,021.1	2,073.0	26.8	0.4	3.5	0.8	1.8	61.8	2,606.2	162.6	6,249,106
Jan-05	26.9	1,769.1	1,849.0	18.0	0.1	3.2	0.6	1.0	41.2	2,516.5	153.4	6,482,183
Feb-05	25.9	2,056.2	2,111.0	19.5	0.6	3.5	0.7	1.3	49.5	2,337.6	146.8	5,420,323
Mar-05	65.4	2,235.3	2,301.0	26.2	0.5	5.7	0.6	1.4	35.4	2,640.3	160.7	4,992,145
Apr-05	87.7	2,116.7	2,204.0	24.9	0.2	4.6	0.7	1.5	48.3	2,698.5	152.4	4,816,336
May-05	71.3	2,237.2	2,308.0	24.0	0.5	6.1	0.7	1.2	43.3	2,760.2	155.6	4,506,171
Jun-05	66.8	2,389.2	2,469.0	23.8	0.0	0.8	0.8	1.4	36.2	2,501.0	141.2	4,750,322
Jul-05	97.6	2,041.8	2,230.0	21.8	0.4	6.7	0.4	1.5	30.0	2,654.7	145.4	5,958,966
Aug-05	90.3	2,068.6	2,134.0	24.7	0.7	6.0	0.7	1.7	44.8	2,987.0	147.0	6,416,349
Sep-05	46.0	2,070.2	2,107.0	24.8	-	-	0.9	1.4	32.8	2,645.4	135.3	5,800,795
Oct-05	65.1	2,239.1	2,316.0	26.5	0.1	5.4	0.5	1.3	23.8	2,750.7	144.4	5,753,603
Nov-05	-	-	1,789.0	27.6	0.1	4.4	0.7	1.4	24.1	2,663.1	140.9	6,183,348
Dec-05	-	-	1,753.0	27.3	0.4	3.1	0.5	1.7	39.4	2,737.8	142.6	6,746,746
Jan-06	-	-	1,903.0	25.1	0.3	4.7	0.7	0.9	31.3	2,693.0	139.1	5,509,478
Feb-06	-	-	1,704.0	20.4	-	-	0.6	1.4	47.7	2,516.9	128.3	5,153,716
Mar-06	-	-	1,909.0	25.5	0.4	6.0	0.7	1.7	37.8	2,805.9	136.9	5,309,134
Apr-06	-	-	1,613.0	22.9	0.0	-	0.5	1.2	24.4	2,937.8	132.9	4,604,944
May-06	-	-	1,600.0	22.6	0.4	6.2	0.6	1.3	41.3	3,169.5	142.9	4,586,946
Jun-06	-	-	1,751.0	23.2	0.0	0.7	0.6	1.3	33.9	3,002.8	138.7	4,601,691
Jul-06	-	-	1,971.0	26.3	0.3	6.4	0.6	1.2	30.9	2,613.4	138.7	5,586,448
Aug-06	-	-	1,579.0	28.3	0.2	0.3	0.5	1.2	31.2	-	-	5,033,897
Sep-06	-		1,555.0	25.5	-	-	0.6	1.6	43.7	-	-	4,307,291
Oct-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(tot. or avg.) YTD	t 643.0	t 21,223.4	t 15,585.0	t 219.8	t 1.6	t 24.3	t 5.6	t 11.7	t 322.2	t 19,739.3	t 957.5	t 44,693,545
% change	-14.1	-3.8	-20.9	5.8	-48.2	-33.6	-9.3	-5.3	-11.4	9.0	-9.3	-8.7
Last 12 months	768.5	25,523.1	21,443.0	301.2	2.2	37.2	7.3	16.0	409.5	33,523.3	1,667.7	63,377,242
Previous 12	847.3	24,768.4	26,604.0	280.1	4.1	53.4	8.3	17.9	532.2	30,823.6	1,860.1	65,215,839
% change	-9.3	3.0	-19.4	7.5	-46.3	-30.3	-11.9	-10.7	-23.1	8.8	-10.3	-2.8
% ch. year ago	-3.7	-6.9	-26.2	2.8	-72.0	-95.0	-31.1	14.8	33.2	-1.6	-4.6	-23.1
% ch. prev mnth	41.5	8.2	-1.5	-9.9	-19.4	-95.3	14.8	34.8	40.1	-13.0	0.0	-14.4

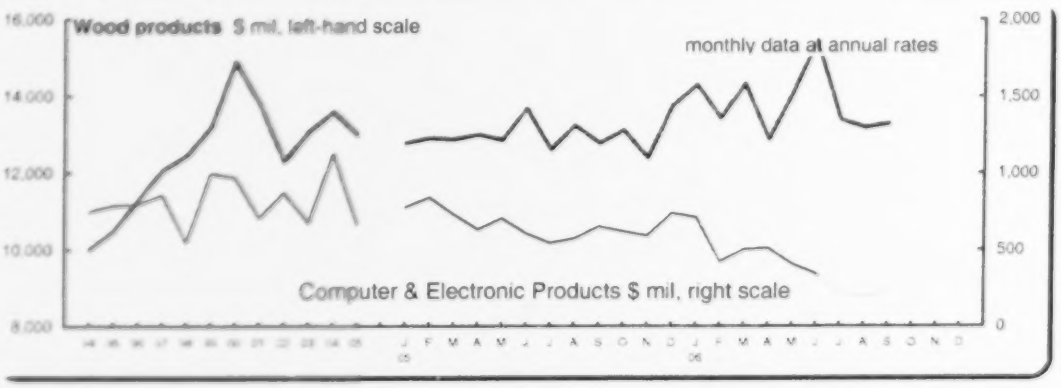




10 Manufacturing – Durables, NAICS based

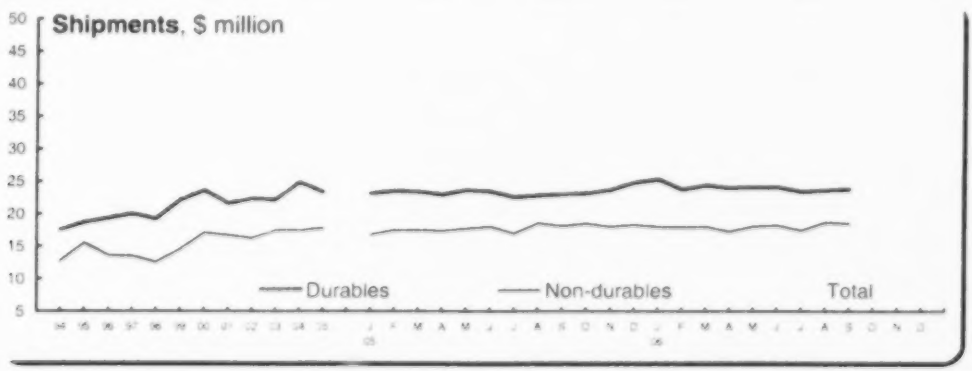
Value of Manufactured Shipments (Source: Statistics Canada)

Period	Total All Shipments	Total Durables	Wood	Non-Metallic Minerals	Fabricated Metals	Machinery	Computer & Electronics	Electrical Equipment	Transportation Equipment
	$ thousand								
	Seasonally Adjusted								
2002	38,610,132	22,363,316	11,481,304	1,182,895	1,738,586	1,743,902	1,076,324	-	1,579,184
2003	39,691,031	22,200,399	10,693,477	1,292,642	1,957,955	1,824,425	1,265,017	-	1,440,867
2004	42,303,477	24,848,182	12,494,261	1,435,827	2,024,460	2,021,065	1,395,125	-	1,290,590
2005	41,139,782	23,370,480	10,658,400	1,605,061	2,087,377	2,237,315	1,248,375	-	1,100,671
Jan-04	3,347,472	1,920,654	922,615	117,956	159,130	154,806	125,246	-	126,298
Feb-04	3,418,501	1,976,153	954,430	121,202	166,796	157,541	134,001	-	120,613
Mar-04	3,609,062	2,071,388	1,035,382	118,230	171,183	161,977	125,170	-	124,413
Apr-04	3,585,364	2,098,985	1,049,127	118,466	179,511	163,458	119,585	-	112,414
May-04	3,647,993	2,109,021	1,066,323	112,314	177,072	164,140	122,107	-	116,059
Jun-04	3,576,553	2,110,871	1,091,679	114,886	175,515	166,492	111,670	-	107,369
Jul-04	3,642,678	2,197,416	1,150,970	115,217	171,570	188,663	121,289	-	97,540
Aug-04	3,639,574	2,193,696	1,154,287	113,223	166,671	179,159	117,011	-	108,766
Sep-04	3,599,520	2,137,606	1,079,400	121,722	170,670	176,527	112,688	-	102,364
Oct-04	3,462,689	2,056,817	1,039,734	122,178	164,026	162,903	109,998	-	98,579
Nov-04	3,437,004	2,023,586	1,001,538	133,306	163,620	169,182	103,568	-	90,337
Dec-04	3,337,072	1,951,994	948,775	127,128	158,696	176,215	92,791	-	85,842
Jan-05	3,331,168	1,930,172	924,278	115,269	167,111	180,359	99,448	-	91,778
Feb-05	3,417,983	1,962,327	945,422	125,488	167,285	167,781	102,073	-	77,720
Mar-05	3,407,080	1,952,137	909,136	137,022	164,312	183,621	101,377	-	95,689
Apr-05	3,361,181	1,915,186	876,106	132,141	163,893	174,846	104,079	-	93,608
May-05	3,446,597	1,971,587	900,265	137,579	174,931	200,806	101,169	-	93,848
Jun-05	3,455,230	1,953,541	867,924	134,576	166,837	176,994	118,174	-	98,607
Jul-05	3,296,123	1,882,563	847,170	133,067	165,649	185,496	95,936	-	85,126
Aug-05	3,450,219	1,904,925	856,817	138,579	173,233	173,993	108,986	-	91,453
Sep-05	3,426,223	1,918,920	883,383	134,273	178,685	205,716	99,343	-	89,813
Oct-05	3,472,577	1,933,266	872,216	137,762	180,259	195,721	106,436	-	95,486
Nov-05	3,477,489	1,975,464	863,613	136,998	185,176	194,279	91,502	-	96,098
Dec-05	3,597,919	2,070,393	912,069	142,307	200,005	197,704	119,852	-	91,450
Jan-06	3,611,649	2,112,704	903,774	156,785	196,596	204,000	131,171	-	99,641
Feb-06	3,474,052	1,979,921	807,296	150,317	190,638	205,621	113,176	-	91,796
Mar-06	3,536,982	2,035,511	833,567	148,787	197,763	193,684	131,677	-	101,289
Apr-06	3,438,585	2,001,800	836,080	147,495	173,773	206,957	101,627	-	95,116
May-06	3,516,186	2,013,247	801,203	150,981	184,258	201,576	126,783	-	92,656
Jun-06	3,531,760	2,012,743	780,247	147,982	176,857	200,268	155,100	-	97,407
Jul-06	3,407,488	1,956,097	739,428	145,574	199,604	185,301	112,064	-	95,906
Aug-06	3,525,779	1,971,424	731,496	140,385	193,319	180,374	108,083	-	112,178
Sep-06	3,531,568	1,986,412	740,135	132,432	205,390	186,641	110,092	-	107,590
Oct-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(1-tot, 8-avg) YTD	t 31,574,049	t 18,069,859	t 7,173,226	t 1,320,738	t 1,718,198	t 1,764,422	t 1,089,773	t 0	t 893,579
% change	3.2	3.9	-10.5	11.2	12.9	7.0	17.1	0.0	9.3
Last 12 months	42,122,034	24,048,982	9,821,124	1,737,805	2,283,638	2,352,126	1,407,563	0	1,176,613
Previous 12	40,828,569	23,423,755	11,000,549	1,570,606	2,008,278	2,157,912	1,236,942	0	1,092,400
% change	3.2	2.7	-10.7	10.6	13.7	9.0	13.8	0.0	7.7
% ch year ago	3.1	3.5	-16.2	-1.4	14.9	-9.3	10.8	0.0	19.8
% ch prev mnth	0.2	0.8	1.2	-5.7	6.2	3.5	1.9	0.0	-4.1



11 Manufacturing – Non-Durables, NAICS based

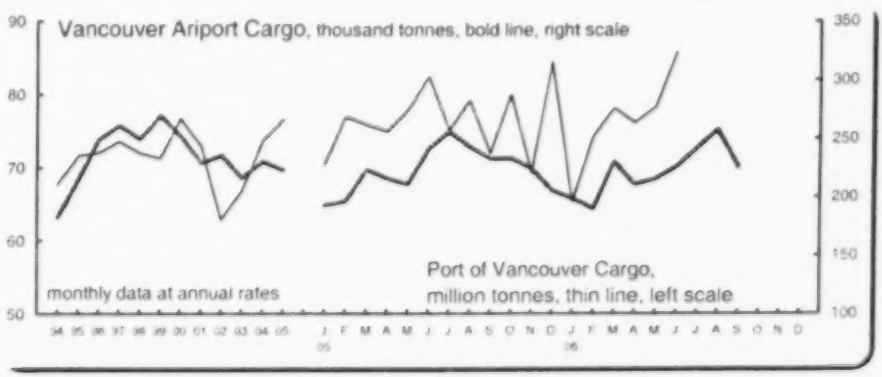
	Value of Manufactured Shipments- Seasonally Adjusted (Source: Statistics Canada)							
	Total Non-Durables	Food	Beverage	Paper	Printing & Related Support	Clothing	Chemicals	Plastics & Rubber
	$ thousand							
Period	Seasonally Adjusted							
2002	16,246,815	4,617,234	1,131,297	5,338,824	893,215	-	1,251,920	1,167,693
2003	17,490,631	4,835,722	1,274,875	5,642,966	977,935	-	1,510,245	1,255,173
2004	17,455,296	4,988,687	1,099,354	5,834,639	889,678	-	1,478,732	1,237,233
2005	17,769,306	5,454,264	1,022,618	5,595,032	898,777	-	1,315,354	1,318,561
Jan-04	1,426,818	405,887	111,809	435,585	78,176	-	125,618	104,897
Feb-04	1,442,348	401,991	106,103	462,850	78,948	-	123,688	105,757
Mar-04	1,537,674	413,449	104,412	522,102	78,782	-	129,065	107,167
Apr-04	1,486,379	410,169	105,366	467,216	77,304	-	134,139	103,351
May-04	1,538,972	406,239	88,924	549,275	74,602	-	128,778	97,750
Jun-04	1,465,682	402,227	89,703	515,077	75,011	-	132,000	98,710
Jul-04	1,445,262	401,095	86,258	489,456	74,068	-	129,433	105,590
Aug-04	1,445,878	417,739	84,482	494,096	73,708	-	118,866	103,786
Sep-04	1,461,914	427,812	83,539	496,362	77,859	-	118,442	105,445
Oct-04	1,405,872	429,438	81,721	456,816	68,614	-	114,809	103,409
Nov-04	1,413,418	438,647	79,209	461,209	68,076	-	113,467	100,192
Dec-04	1,385,078	433,994	77,828	484,595	64,529	-	110,427	101,179
Jan-05	1,400,996	443,407	78,134	450,444	66,293	-	105,710	105,332
Feb-05	1,455,656	448,522	81,306	446,846	66,325	-	112,027	110,414
Mar-05	1,454,943	447,371	84,644	478,609	68,893	-	111,345	104,719
Apr-05	1,445,995	445,024	84,151	457,536	73,303	-	106,011	108,965
May-05	1,475,010	450,834	86,129	476,597	76,068	-	107,042	99,919
Jun-05	1,501,689	449,857	88,086	484,631	79,645	-	105,169	109,246
Jul-05	1,413,560	453,766	85,038	400,640	77,227	-	108,793	106,276
Aug-05	1,545,294	457,339	87,277	503,794	79,983	-	112,028	110,606
Sep-05	1,507,303	450,482	88,972	468,560	77,215	-	116,815	114,052
Oct-05	1,539,311	462,801	85,630	487,671	79,348	-	113,556	122,209
Nov-05	1,502,025	471,648	85,926	457,288	76,782	-	108,040	115,189
Dec-05	1,527,526	473,211	87,326	482,416	77,695	-	108,818	111,634
Jan-06	1,498,945	479,716	83,660	437,315	77,760	-	117,670	113,788
Feb-06	1,494,131	478,355	86,319	454,642	77,903	-	106,224	112,540
Mar-06	1,501,471	471,198	84,771	489,810	76,017	-	101,105	115,716
Apr-06	1,436,785	472,732	84,519	417,929	76,498	-	102,909	118,058
May-06	1,502,939	471,809	86,648	478,497	82,096	-	105,784	118,363
Jun-06	1,519,017	459,323	88,024	500,040	74,072	-	106,204	115,537
Jul-06	1,451,391	464,803	91,207	438,868	72,336	-	105,452	111,574
Aug-06	1,554,355	474,830	90,410	509,062	73,203	-	110,875	120,040
Sep-06	1,545,156	499,313	88,915	479,707	70,787	-	111,565	118,311
Oct-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(t-tot, a-avg) YTD	t 13,504,190	t 4,272,079	t 784,473	t 4,205,870	t 680,672	t 0	t 987,788	t 1,043,927
% change	2.3	5.6	2.7	0.9	2.4	0.0	-1.7	7.7
Last 12 months	18,073,052	5,679,739	1,043,355	5,633,245	914,497	0	1,298,202	1,392,959
Previous 12	17,404,814	5,348,681	1,002,495	5,570,277	866,171	0	1,323,643	1,274,309
% change	3.8	6.2	4.1	1.1	5.6	0.0	-1.9	9.3
% ch. year ago	2.5	10.8	-0.1	2.4	-8.3	0.0	-4.5	3.7
% ch. prev mnth	-0.6	5.2	-1.7	-5.8	-3.3	0.0	0.6	-1.4



12 Service Sector — Transportation

All data from respective ports, carriers, & authorities

Period	Freight shipments: Port of Vancouver: Shipping - Cargo Handled: Foreign (Thousand tonnes)	Freight shipments: Port of Vancouver: Shipping - Cargo Handled: Coastwise (Thousand tonnes)	Freight shipments: Port of Vancouver: Shipping - Cargo Handled: Total (Thousand tonnes)	Freight shipments: Vancouver Airport: Cargo Handled (Tonnes)	Passengers: Vancouver Airport: Arrivals/ Departures (Thousands)	Passengers: BC Ferries: Mainland/Vancouver Island: Passengers (Thousands)	Passengers: BC Ferries: Mainland/Vancouver Island: Vehicles (Thousands)	Passengers: Coquihalla Hwy Pas'nger Vehicles (Thousands)
2002	59,636	3,163	62,799	235,039	7,422	11,081	3,721	2,518
2003	63,582	3,145	66,727	215,839	7,267	10,832	3,678	2,466
2004	70,289	3,283	73,574	229,913	7,986	11,185	3,797	2,572
2005	72,909	3,573	76,480	222,601	8,348	11,088	3,794	2,620
Jan-04	4,971	277	5,249	16,548	552	556	207	96
Feb-04	5,155	262	5,417	17,365	571	620	232	117
Mar-04	6,045	267	6,312	20,141	619	771	278	167
Apr-04	5,499	240	5,739	17,906	606	862	305	209
May-04	6,725	295	7,020	18,774	666	965	319	241
Jun-04	6,522	299	6,821	20,529	705	993	333	240
Jul-04	5,550	270	5,819	22,369	794	1,450	442	386
Aug-04	6,175	300	6,475	19,347	831	1,560	477	381
Sep-04	5,155	288	5,444	19,580	711	1,025	356	260
Oct-04	6,523	247	6,770	19,997	680	908	311	207
Nov-04	5,703	285	5,989	18,798	569	660	250	121
Dec-04	6,266	253	6,519	18,559	683	815	287	147
Jan-05	5,592	275	5,866	16,061	627	539	204	96
Feb-05	6,128	279	6,406	16,321	605	602	228	121
Mar-05	6,023	291	6,314	18,594	674	842	297	194
Apr-05	6,011	230	6,241	17,948	614	791	292	182
May-05	6,215	267	6,482	17,571	692	985	330	255
Jun-05	6,554	311	6,865	20,107	748	1,018	345	255
Jul-05	5,848	413	6,261	21,286	816	1,433	442	398
Aug-05	6,271	318	6,589	20,198	868	1,532	477	388
Sep-05	5,755	242	5,997	19,374	736	1,018	352	267
Oct-05	6,347	313	6,660	19,396	695	837	292	200
Nov-05	5,470	301	5,771	18,652	605	663	248	116
Dec-05	6,695	333	7,028	17,093	668	828	287	150
Jan-06	5,083	360	5,443	16,514	624	591	222	107
Feb-06	5,931	259	6,190	15,817	616	578	219	107
Mar-06	6,237	267	6,503	19,155	706	781	284	162
Apr-06	6,042	299	6,341	17,546	650	869	309	207
May-06	6,171	350	6,521	17,944	744	944	319	238
Jun-06	6,833	310	7,143	18,826	778	1,007	342	251
Jul-06	-	-	-	20,141	882	1,431	440	375
Aug-06	-	-	-	21,433	926	1,563	485	405
Sep-06	-	-	-	18,777	753	1,027	356	278
Oct-06	-	-	-	-	-	873	311	221
Nov-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	107
Dec-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(t-tot, a-avg) YTD	t 36,297	t 1,845	t 38,141	t 166,153	t 6,677	t 9,664	t 3,287	t 2,456
% change	-0.6	11.6	-0.1	-0.8	4.7	0.7	0.9	-0.6
Last 12 months	72,683	3,765	76,447	221,294	8,645	11,155	3,822	2,606
Previous 12	71,895	3,296	75,190	224,814	8,311	11,072	3,796	2,617
% change	1.1	14.2	1.7	-1.6	4.0	0.7	0.7	-0.4
% ch. year ago	4.3	-0.3	4.0	-3.1	2.2	4.3	6.5	-7.8
% ch. prev mnth	10.7	-11.4	9.5	-12.4	-18.7	-15.0	-12.6	-51.6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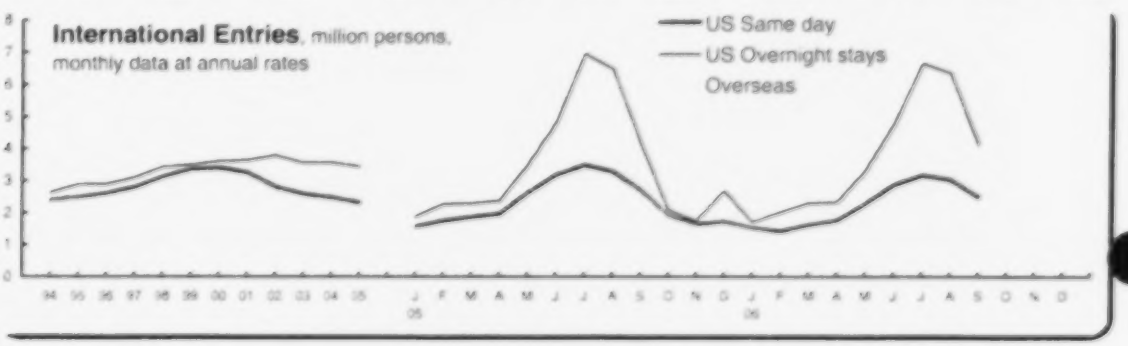
13 Service Sector — Tourism

Hotel Occupancy & Convention Delegate Days with permission of Pannell Kerr Forster. Airport figures from respective airports.

Tourism Room Revenue, BC Stats

Period	International Entries Via BC (Source: Statistics Canada)					Tourism Indicators					
	US			Overseas	Total	Hotel Occup'cy Rate	Trade & Convention Delegate days		Tourism Room Revenue	Vancouver Airport Arrivals/Departures	
	Same Day	Overnight Stays	Total				Victoria	Vancouver		Transborder	Internti
	Persons					%	Thousands of days		$ thousands	Thousands of persons	
	Unadjusted								SA	Unadjusted	
2002	2,808,052	3,787,834	6,595,886	1,374,931	7,970,817	58.9	107,107	256,945	1,506,188	3,855	3,600
2003	2,580,679	3,556,761	6,137,440	1,197,831	7,335,271	58.3	107,675	197,388	1,486,681	3,814	3,241
2004	2,477,569	3,561,526	6,039,095	1,408,654	7,447,749	61.3	105,581	249,553	1,592,176	3,965	3,775
2005	2,314,469	3,436,486	5,750,955	1,473,833	7,224,788	64.1	-	-	1,690,096	4,106	3,965
Jan-04	152,889	161,359	314,248	72,760	387,008	45.2	1,872	8,678	129,034	289	295
Feb-04	160,412	195,704	356,116	71,414	427,530	55.3	16,716	10,940	130,850	286	249
Mar-04	171,799	205,611	377,410	78,220	455,630	61.1	12,755	57,100	130,901	320	280
Apr-04	180,947	210,873	391,820	87,463	479,283	60.9	4,842	37,000	134,146	291	271
May-04	233,540	290,862	524,402	139,800	664,202	64.9	12,522	32,400	131,763	320	319
Jun-04	278,471	397,344	675,815	169,481	845,296	69.6	10,923	17,009	132,461	373	355
Jul-04	295,571	594,328	889,899	206,851	1,096,750	76.7	4,582	7,200	133,963	453	397
Aug-04	282,367	564,276	846,643	181,821	1,028,264	77.3	3,800	12,500	131,505	474	421
Sep-04	225,478	362,230	587,708	159,323	747,031	71.3	5,272	20,760	134,540	345	358
Oct-04	175,079	190,330	365,409	94,030	459,439	58.2	26,572	13,800	132,441	265	302
Nov-04	160,439	156,049	316,488	59,092	375,580	48.5	3,524	7,866	132,116	248	238
Dec-04	160,577	232,560	393,137	88,599	481,736	46.3	1,201	24,300	138,455	299	290
Jan-05	131,375	156,510	287,885	72,030	359,915	45.1	3,655	11,800	135,507	314	307
Feb-05	146,461	188,231	334,692	75,675	410,367	56.9	6,517	9,300	139,002	288	265
Mar-05	155,677	190,995	346,672	90,157	436,829	61.0	6,628	42,375	137,205	349	297
Apr-05	164,437	197,563	362,000	88,017	450,017	63.4	11,765	21,400	135,706	298	302
May-05	219,160	289,844	509,004	148,381	657,385	67.7	12,320	17,115	138,881	346	338
Jun-05	265,581	400,897	666,478	176,756	843,234	72.6	3,873	65,280	138,738	376	369
Jul-05	291,031	579,994	871,025	216,706	1,087,731	78.1	10,350	-	139,308	461	421
Aug-05	274,302	540,486	814,788	185,395	1,000,183	80.6	1,620	3,900	139,213	463	442
Sep-05	225,395	349,105	574,500	166,737	741,237	76.2	12,810	30,080	143,042	345	370
Oct-05	159,407	173,785	333,192	95,131	428,323	61.2	-	-	140,944	285	320
Nov-05	137,544	145,792	283,336	64,006	347,342	56.2	-	-	156,961	263	241
Dec-05	144,099	223,284	367,383	94,842	462,225	49.8	-	-	145,587	317	293
Jan-06	127,724	142,808	270,532	70,231	340,763	48.6	-	-	144,444	308	302
Feb-06	119,139	168,039	287,178	70,310	357,488	58.8	-	-	141,495	303	257
Mar-06	135,972	191,281	327,253	83,001	410,254	65.2	-	-	145,832	353	307
Apr-06	147,015	194,101	341,116	92,424	433,540	63.9	-	-	148,010	317	301
May-06	190,390	274,059	464,449	145,865	610,314	71.8	-	-	153,207	346	323
Jun-06	238,991	396,135	635,126	180,342	815,468	76.7	-	-	155,238	386	369
Jul-06	263,967	554,325	818,292	214,860	1,033,152	80.4	-	-	154,809	473	428
Aug-06	253,159	530,101	783,260	192,688	975,948	82.3	-	-	-	477	439
Sep-06	207,645	344,400	552,045	164,381	716,426	76.2	-	-	-	363	366
Oct-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(1st, a-avg) YTD	t 1,684,002	t 2,795,249	t 4,479,251	t 1,214,102	t 5,693,353	a 69.3	t 69,539	t 201,250	t 1,043,035	t 3,325	t 3,091
% change	-10.1	-3.4	-6.0	-0.5	-4.9	3.7	-6.4	-1.1	8.2	2.6	-0.6
Last 12 months	2,125,052	3,338,110	5,463,162	1,468,081	6,931,243	65.9	100,836	247,216	1,768,782	4,190	3,945
Previous 12	2,370,130	3,471,948	5,842,078	1,461,575	7,303,653	62.9	113,184	243,145	1,633,404	4,053	3,939
% change	-10.3	-3.9	-6.5	0.4	-5.1	4.8	-10.9	1.7	8.3	3.4	0.1
% ch. year ago	-7.9	-1.4	-3.9	-1.4	-3.3	0.0	104.2	44.9	11.1	5.1	-1.0
% ch. prev mnth	-17.9	-35.1	-29.5	-14.7	-26.6	-7.4	690.7	671.3	-0.3	-23.9	-16.6



14 Money and Markets

All series as maintained by the Bank of Canada.

	Stock Markets		Interest Rates					Exchange Rates	
	Dow Jones Industrial Ave -Close	T.S.E. Composite 300-Close	Bank Rate	Prime Rate	Conventional Mortgage Five year Rate	Conventional Mortgage One year Rate	US Federal Funds	Average Noon Spot Rate-US$	Can. Trade Weighted Index C-6
Period	$	1975=1000	%					$ Can	1992=100
2002	9,181.0	7,036.2	2.71	4.21	7.02	5.17	1.66	1.5703	78.87
2003	9,020.9	7,161.6	3.19	4.69	6.39	4.84	1.12	1.4010	87.04
2004	10,326.0	8,646.1	2.50	4.00	6.23	4.59	1.39	1.3013	92.47
2005	10,529.1	10,162.3	2.92	4.42	5.99	5.06	3.25	1.2114	99.35
Jan-04	10,488.1	8,521.4	2.75	4.25	6.05	4.30	1.02	1.2960	92.54
Feb-04	10,583.9	8,788.5	2.75	4.25	5.80	4.30	1.00	1.3290	90.19
Mar-04	10,357.7	8,585.9	2.50	4.00	5.70	4.30	1.01	1.3284	90.55
Apr-04	10,225.6	8,244.0	2.25	3.75	6.15	4.45	1.00	1.3425	89.74
May-04	10,188.5	8,417.3	2.25	3.75	6.50	4.55	0.99	1.3783	87.57
Jun-04	10,435.5	8,545.6	2.25	3.75	6.70	4.70	1.11	1.3577	88.68
Jul-04	10,139.7	8,458.1	2.25	3.75	6.55	4.60	1.26	1.3219	91.00
Aug-04	10,173.9	8,377.0	2.25	3.75	6.30	4.40	1.51	1.3118	91.80
Sep-04	10,080.3	8,668.3	2.50	4.00	6.30	4.80	1.76	1.2878	93.52
Oct-04	10,027.5	8,871.0	2.75	4.25	6.40	4.90	1.74	1.2469	96.36
Nov-04	10,428.0	9,030.1	2.75	4.25	6.30	5.00	2.00	1.1961	99.92
Dec-04	10,783.0	9,246.7	2.75	4.25	6.05	4.80	2.27	1.2191	97.74
Jan-05	10,489.9	9,204.1	2.75	4.25	6.05	4.80	2.27	1.2253	97.41
Feb-05	10,766.2	9,668.3	2.75	4.25	6.05	4.80	2.52	1.2397	96.40
Mar-05	10,503.8	9,612.4	2.75	4.25	6.25	5.05	2.77	1.2161	98.17
Apr-05	10,192.5	9,369.3	2.75	4.25	6.05	4.90	2.74	1.2360	96.82
May-05	10,467.5	9,607.3	2.75	4.25	5.95	4.85	3.01	1.2555	95.45
Jun-05	10,275.0	9,902.8	2.75	4.25	5.70	4.75	3.11	1.2402	97.06
Jul-05	10,640.9	10,422.9	2.75	4.25	5.80	4.90	3.26	1.2227	98.76
Aug-05	10,481.6	10,668.9	2.75	4.25	5.80	5.00	3.55	1.2040	100.02
Sep-05	10,568.7	11,011.8	3.00	4.50	5.80	5.00	3.77	1.1776	102.32
Oct-05	10,440.1	10,383.3	3.25	4.75	6.00	5.25	3.76	1.1776	102.67
Nov-05	10,805.9	10,824.1	3.25	4.75	6.15	5.60	4.02	1.1811	102.71
Dec-05	10,717.5	11,272.3	3.50	5.00	6.30	5.80	4.22	1.1610	104.42
Jan-06	10,864.9	11,945.6	3.75	5.25	6.30	5.80	4.26	1.1573	104.43
Feb-06	10,993.4	11,688.3	3.75	5.25	6.45	5.85	4.49	1.1489	105.44
Mar-06	11,109.3	12,110.6	4.00	5.50	6.45	6.05	4.70	1.1574	104.60
Apr-06	11,367.1	12,204.2	4.25	5.75	6.75	6.25	4.74	1.1438	105.66
May-06	11,168.3	11,744.5	4.50	6.00	6.75	6.25	5.01	1.1095	108.24
Jun-06	11,150.2	11,612.9	4.50	6.00	6.95	6.60	5.00	1.1138	108.05
Jul-06	11,185.7	11,831.0	4.50	6.00	6.95	6.60	5.24	1.1292	106.62
Aug-06	11,381.2	12,073.8	4.50	6.00	6.85	6.40	5.25	1.1183	107.54
Sep-06	11,679.1	11,761.3	4.50	6.00	6.70	6.40	5.27	1.1162	107.87
Oct-06	12,080.7	12,344.6	4.50	6.00	6.80	6.40	5.24	1.1286	106.82
Nov-06	-	-	4.50	6.00	6.55	6.40	-	1.1362	105.83
Dec-06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(t-tot, a-avg) YTD	a 11,298.0	a 11,931.7	a 4.30	a 5.80	a 6.68	a 6.27	a 4.92	a 1.1326	a 106.46
% change	7.8	19.5	50.0	32.8	12.0	25.7	59.9	-6.9	7.7
Last 12 months	11,208.6	11,784.4	4.23	5.73	6.65	6.23	4.79	1.1350	106.29
Previous 12	10,503.1	9,844.0	2.85	4.35	5.97	4.98	2.92	1.2162	98.79
% change	6.7	19.7	48.2	31.6	11.4	25.3	64.0	-6.7	7.6
% ch year ago	15.7	18.9	38.5	26.3	6.5	14.3	39.4	-3.8	3.0
% ch prev mnth	3.4	5.0	0.0	0.0	-3.7	0.0	-0.6	0.7	-0.9